

PLAYERS REVOLT

IT'S SUMMER SWEATBALL

By TOM ANDERSON and LAURIE SCHWAB

We'll have summer soccer next year. That's official, and the State League all over Australia couldn't be happier.

Only the Philips League has plumped for summer sweatball and as its players swelter along with mad dogs and Englishmen, the State Federations will rub their hands with glee.

No longer will the State Leagues have competition from the PSL, even though the PSL plans a national indoor competition to be played in the traditional winter season.

That idea has come from the U.S., but the experience of past indoor soccer tournaments staged in Melbourne, for example, provides little reason for optimism.

The first PSL summer season will run from October 1981 to May 1982.

Meanwhile, the PSL will play its final Autumn-Winter season from February until about September, meaning that the players are in for a busy 18 months, especially those who will take part also in the Soccerroo's World Cup qualifying series.

Transfer rules will have to be studied closely, unless all concerned are quite happy about players transferring from State League to Philips League, back to

State League, to keep active all year and to earn as much money as possible.

The PSL argues that by playing in summer it avoids competition from other sports. However, it would appear more realistic to draw spectators not from other sports, but from soccer clubs whose leagues will be over by the time the PSL summer season starts.

Many players are known to be against playing in the summer. Jimmy Rooney and Gary Cole have expressed that opinion on television and coaches Willie Wallace of APIA and Alan Vest of Newcastle share that view.

As part of the PSL's new marketing push, the clubs are expected to adopt new names with wider appeal. Perhaps they are expected to follow the American model — Sydney Slingshots, Melbourne Maulers, Brisbane Bombers and so on.

The summer soccer experiment will do no harm. Crowds are inadequate as things are, so any attempt to improve them is worth a try.

However, given the instability of recent decision-making, it would surprise no-one if our leaders find upon closer examination that there are problems they have failed to consider and that by next year the summer soccer idea will be abandoned again.

12 countries seek end to transfer fees

A sensational move to abolish transfer fees worldwide has been started by a players' meeting in Washington.

It means a player whose contract has expired could move to a new club without his old club getting a cent.

The new set-up could be a fact of life, at least in the US and Europe, as early as next season, and would spread quickly to Australia.

The shock decision was taken at a meeting of the International Federation of Professional Players' Unions.

Delegates from Holland, Austria, West Germany, Peru, Argentina, Switzerland, Spain, France, Portugal, Italy, USA and Scotland voted unanimously to put their plea for no-cash transfers before a European Economic Community Commission this month.

They believe that clubs which put a price on players at the end of their contracts are contravening Article 85 of the Treaty of Rome.

That states no worker should have a retainer placed on him when he moves from one employer to another.

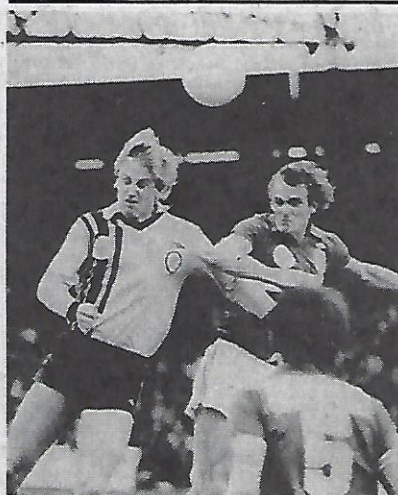
"It's civil rights we're talking about," said Harry Lawrie, secretary of the Scottish Professional Footballers' Association.

"This won't affect cash transfers while players are under contract. They can go ahead as usual.

"But when those contracts run out, players would be allowed to go where they want — with no cash changing hands.

"We took legal advice on this a couple of years ago and we were told then we have a pretty strong case. This system already has been put into operation in Germany and from what I can gather it's working well."

The players are expected to take their case to FIFA as well.



Heidelberg United remained a point behind PSL leader Sydney City by drawing 3-3 with Marconi after being 1-3 down on Sunday. Here Heidelberg's Gary Cole (left) challenges for a high ball against Jim Muir. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

GONG BOSS SET TO SWOOP

The new Wollongong City team in the 1981 PSL will be made up heavily of players from New Zealand, Perth and England.

New coach Ken Morton, who was appointed last week, already has his eyes on the men he wants.

Morton, 33, is looking at New Zealand strikers Billy de Graaf and Alistair Elder. He also is interested in Peter Willis and David Smith, who played for him at Rapid West Point this year.

Morton has coached Rapid to two successive Tasmanian State League championships. He came to Tasmania from Perth where he played for Azurri and for the State team under the then coach Alan Vest, now coach of Newcastle KB United.

Before that, Morton played in England for Manchester United's Central League team and for Blackpool, York City and Darlington. He is a

qualified English FA and Australian senior coach.

Morton will watch local finals in Wollongong next Sunday, hoping to spot a few players good enough to develop into PSL material. He will go to Perth and England in October.

He also is interested in a new Melbourne and Sydney players but would not name them.

Peter Willis was Morton's team captain at Rapid this year. He joined the club from Newcastle and scored 14 goals, seven of them penalties, although playing as sweeper. David Smith, formerly of White Eagles and Caledonians, scored 12. Tasmanian officials are disappointed that Morton had taken the Wollongong job while there remains the strong possibility that Tasmania's application for 1981 PSL membership will be accepted. Morton almost certainly would have coached Tasmania's PSL team. — LAURIE SCHWAB.

Roos can't move

The Australian Soccer Federation has banned overseas transfers by members of the national squad until after the Soccerroo has completed their World Cup campaign.

The ban was urged by national coach Rudi Gutendorf after Soccerroo goalkeeper Yakka Banovic of Heidelberg was transferred to English club Derby County for \$120,000.

Gutendorf was worried that he may lose other players as well.

There is doubt however that the ASF's ban would stand up in court.

TV news gives Hobart a hint

As predicted by "Soccer Action" last week, the multicultural TV service on Channel 0 in Sydney and Melbourne will have a heavy soccer content.



Channel 0 will combine with commercial channels in Brisbane, Canberra, Wollongong, Newcastle, Hobart, Adelaide (Channel 9) and country areas to provide a national soccer coverage.

The participation of a Hobart channel means it is almost certain that a Tasmanian team will be included in the PSL next year.

The Multicultural TV service will produce one-hour shows featuring PSL and State League highlights, soccer news, interviews, panel discussions and a goal of the month competition.

It will be shown on Friday and Monday at 6.30 pm on Channel 0 in Sydney and Melbourne, and on other stations.

A half-hour programme on junior coaching will be shown on weekends in prime time.

Until the 1981 Australian season starts, Channel 0 will show Argentinian league matches, as well as games from Brazil, Greece, Italy and West Germany.

Multicultural TV hopes to televise all of Australia's World Cup qualifying games both at home and from overseas next year.

Australian Soccer Federation president Sir Arthur George fired a broadside at commercial television and the Australian Broadcasting Commission over their alleged apathy towards Australian soccer.

He said: "Soccer is the only sport whose results are presented on commercial TV with speed that defies one's ability to retain the results in one's memory. There is an almost complete absence of commentary and no presentation of competition tables to stimulate competitive interest."

"The ABC, notwithstanding numerous approaches insofar as its TV is concerned, has followed broadly the same policy."

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Trojan horse with Kiwi feathers

Beware a New Zealander bearing gifts and offering the soccer hand of friendship across the Tasman.

That's my immediate reaction over the proposed clash between the Socceroos and the Kiwis later this year.

This game, which was tentatively scheduled for 24 September and changed to 29 October as far as my information goes, is one that should be treated very warily indeed.

In fact, unless the Kiwis have it in writing that the Socceroos have to play them, I think the game should be scrapped.

For let's face it, these teams will meet each other in the first World Cup elimination game next May and for any of them to show their hand at this time would be ridiculous.

It's no secret that Socceroo coach Rudi Gutendorf is still smarting over his loss to New Zealand in Auckland last year and wants revenge.

I am confident this revenge will come in the World Cup elimination game and that it would wait until then.

Playing the Kiwis at the end of this season just does not seem on the cards.

No doubt if this game were cancelled, New Zealand boss Charlie Dempsey and his band of likeable pirates would blow up



TOM ANDERSON

and utter utterances that would rock the Shakey Isles even further.

Over the years, I have got to know the Kiwis very well and there is now a 'love-hate' relationship between us.

As people, they are the salt of the earth and I am proud to call Charlie Dempsey and his colleagues my friends.

However, on the soccer side, it's a hate relationship between Australia and New Zealand and never the twain shall meet.

Knowing this situation, I have great reservations about this game.

There must be some ulterior motive behind it, for believe me, Charlie Dempsey does not offer the hand of friendship without getting something out of it from Australia.

Charlie's boy's greatest thrill in life is beating the Socceroos, and although this does not happen often, he never stops working at it.

So to the ASF and Rudi Gutendorf I say — Tread warily. Remember the Trojan horse.

Has Tony lost his red card?

Referees hit the headlines again recently during the foul-scarred Australia-Mexico confrontations.

As usual, where referees are concerned, the news was in the negative.

Tony Boskovic in Sydney and Chris Bambridge in Melbourne both were accused of not being strong enough with the players from both sides.

The critics would like to have seen the red card brought out in both games.

Referees, even more so than politicians and coaches, are invariable more derided than praised.

The politician or the coach at times does get glowing praise from his own supporters.

The referee hardly ever can please both sets of opposing supporters, so he is so often the meat in the sandwich — chewed over, spat out and thrown away.

Tony Boskovic these days is not as predictable as once he was.

He made his name years ago as a strong man who would stand no nonsense whatsoever.

Over severe tackling and especially disputing of his authority, would be severely punished.

I suffered at his hands. Playing for South Coast United against St George-Budapest Boskovic sent me off for retaliation.

In an article which I wrote for the Sydney "Sunday Telegraph", headed "What it feels like to be sent off", I stated that I thought Boskovic had unfairly punished me to take the steam out of a rather heated game.

This was a Boskovic play in those days.

Boskovic was a top referee then, but I believe this play, which is used by many referees, was a weakness in his make-up.

Tony Boskovic is a more tolerant and mature man today and I think this shows in his refereeing.

He is prepared to work hard to keep things in order on the field without resorting to the referee's ultimate weapon — the red card.



TONY BOSKOVIC

It is a fact that the Boskovic of yesterday would have pointed the red card at at least two players in the Australia-Mexico clash in Sydney.

That he did not is evidence of his increased and justified confidence in his ability to control games without sending people off.

His tolerance reacted against him in this match because of the obvious intention of the Australians to upset the Mexicans with physical contact.

After just three minutes Eddie Krncevic chased back after a Mexican defender and literally threw himself at him, knocking the little Mexican hard to the ground.

The Mexicans, all small and mainly slightly built, reacted the way minority, underprivileged peoples are reacting throughout the world — with their own aggression.

With their lack of size they could not meet the Australians head on, so it was over-the-ball stuff, elbowing and vicious hacking.

Tony Boskovic was in the middle of all this mayhem trying to be fair to both sides.

After the game he probably reflected that it was easier in

PSL NOVELTY WEARING OFF



MIKE JOHNSON

I think the novelty of the PSL is starting to wear thin.

This is due to the drop in standard of the PSL compared with last year.

It surprised me to see the ease with which we won some games this year and I think that West Adelaide, Adelaide City and Brisbane City clearly have dropped their standard since last year.

I think Australia will find it hard to get to Spain in 1982 and it's about time we started to worry about beating New Zealand instead of talking in and South Korea.

It seems that Rudi Gutendorf should have had a settled side by now rather than switching team positions.

I can't say much about Rudi as a coach because I never spoke to him although I was in camp with the Australian squad for a week earlier this year.

I suppose I should go back to the start of my competitive career, which is not too long ago because I started playing competitively at a late age.

I was playing in the Sunday league in Parkville when I was 16 and 17 but the club was disqualified by the VSF.

We used to have dances on Saturday nights and most of the players and spectators would be drunk during the game on Sunday.

Because of spectator trouble Parkville was fined \$50 by the federation but refused to pay, so the club was disqualified.

I moved to Croatia's under-18 team where I was coached by Peter Vrzina.

He was a good coach because we spent most of our training time practising ball skills which few coaches spend enough time on these days.

I progressed into Croatia's reserve side and after sitting on the bench for the first team on a few occasions, I finally got my chance.

I played as a central defender with Croatia for two and a half years before the



Jim Kondarios (right) with another PSL stalwart, Neil McGachey of West Adelaide.

club was disqualified from the federation.

The week before we played against Hakoah, the game over which Croatia was disqualified, we played Polonia and our goalkeeper was kicked in the head but the referee did nothing about it.

Our keeper was carried off on a stretcher, unconscious, and the Croatian fans were really angry.

The next week we were playing Hakoah in a game which had a big bearing on our top four chances.

In about the 60th minute Hugh Gunn was sent off and that was the start of the trouble.

Croatia's spectators jumped the fence and the game had to be abandoned and I can remember one spectator coming up to me and telling me not to worry because there would be a replay.

But the result is history now and after the club was disqualified, I was a free player.

I was going to join Croatia Canberra and I had arranged to fly up every weekend to play but at the last minute I changed my mind.

A fellow from Kellor Austria approached me at a dance and asked me to sign with them, so next day I signed.

I had one and a half years with Austria and it was a struggle because the club was at the bottom of the State League.

When I first joined, Austria had two good German players, Hollman and Groeger but they returned to Germany and didn't come back for the next season.

There were few quality players left and Austria was relegated.

The season the club went to Division One I was the leading scorer although I played centre half throughout the season.

I ended up with six goals, so that shows how poorly we went that year.

I didn't want to go into the Metropolitan League so I saw Tony Kovac and signed with J.U.S.T. in 1974.

Things were great then, with Cedo Cirkovic and the fine players we had and we had someone to give the ball to who could hold it until he got support.

Now we need more good players and we lack the discipline and respect that we had in those years.

Rocco Ilie was inexperienced when he coached us but his physical training was excellent.

At the moment we are fighting to stay clear of the relegation zone and we know what we must do to get the club out of trouble.

I think that the next few weeks will have a big bearing on the future of J.U.S.T. and next year I think you will see a big im-

This could be a new version dressed up in feathers and looking like a kiwi bird.

In the past week or so and with the big announcements on marketing and so in Sydney last Monday, we have heard a great deal about how the game would be sold in the future.

I suppose that's OK and it shows at least something is being tried.

However, I think a very important point has been missed in all the fanfare.

That point is that for the past two or three years the perfect example of how to market and promote soccer has been on view for all to see.

It's the example of Newcastle KB United, a club second to none when it comes to marketing and selling their product.

But the sad fact of the matter is that despite Newcastle's brilliant efforts, no other clubs or federations have copied Newcastle's brilliant work.

"It's great Newcastle are doing a great job," have been the comments.

Then it has been completely forgotten about. The Newcastle example is the best yet seen in Australian soccer.

Their formula has proved to be successful, so why don't we follow Newcastle's formula. Maybe this is too simple for some people.

On the Ball

The Player's Viewpoint

improvement in terms of players, coaching and facilities.

As far as the administration of Australian soccer goes I think that there is a lot of room for improvement.

We need to change many administrators and get young, fresh faces into prominent positions.

The game can be promoted brilliantly as proven by the New York Cosmos game in Sydney which drew about 60,000 spectators.

The media coverage of soccer is poor and the Press usually hides soccer news in among the horse racing pages.

If we are going to increase the number of teams in the PSL, I hope we introduce teams with similar set-ups to Newcastle and Canberra where there only one team representing each of those cities and this draws large crowds to the games.

In Newcastle soccer is a family affair but in Melbourne you don't get much for your money.

We used to have bands and marching girls to entertain the crowd in the 60's and I don't know why we stopped using them.

My own future as a player in the PSL will probably last another two years and then I will drop into lower leagues.

Soccer has been good to me and apart from giving me great enjoyment it has helped me financially and given me the opportunity to see many parts of Australia.

I aim to keep playing for as long as I can, hopefully in a winning side.

NZ game off

There's little chance that New Zealand will get a chance to play against Australia this year.

New Zealand's World Cup director Charlie Dempsey asked the ASF for a game on 24 September.

However, ASF secretary Brian Le Pevre says that the Philips League competitions will not be over by then and it would be unfair to ask clubs to surrender players for national team duty when the championship and relegation hang in the balance.

New Zealand beat Australia 1-0 in Auckland early last year.

TOP FOUR

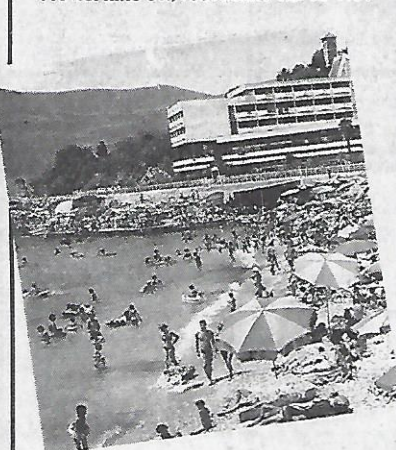
The Philips League top four competition will be played over three Sundays — 12, 19 and 26 October.

On the first day the first-placed team will meet the team that finishes second, and third will play fourth.

The following week the loser of the first match will play the winner of the second match.

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DAD BUYS HIM A CLUB

A few weeks ago a Mr. Pontello bought Italian First Division club Fiorentina for \$3 million as a present for his son, Sydney company director and building magnate Ranieri Pontello.

Mr. Pontello junior will move back to Italy with his family to assume his presidency with the Florence-based club.

A long distance telephone nook-up by the Sydney building magnate led to Fiorentina buying Argentine World Cup striker Daniel Berti from Spanish club Seville for \$1.5 mil-

lion and massive non-transferable changes are already planned for Fiorentina's administration.

Before he leaves for Italy Mr. Pontello will make arrangements with the ASF for a match between Australia and Fiorentina as part of the Socceroos' planned world tour in November.

Neeskens 'in November'

New York Cosmos star Johan Neeskens will be in Melbourne about the second week in November and he'll stay for six weeks.

So said Victorian coach John

Pryde just before he left for the U.S. on business and to see Neeskens.

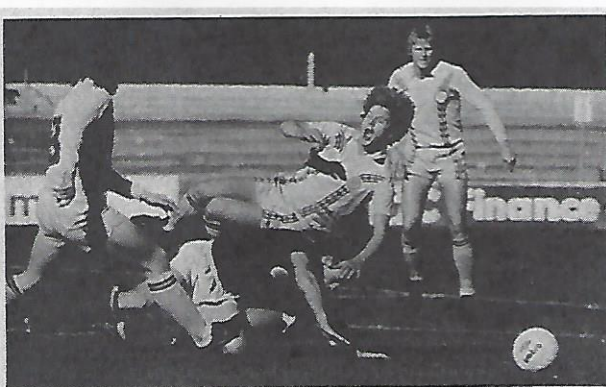
Pryde said he hoped to organise an all-stars match featuring Neeskens and a few other cosmo stars who are expected to come with Neeskens

to Australia.

He said the game probably would be in mid or late November. He would invite PSL stars Jim Hermiston, Manecas, Branko Buljevic, Pat Bar-

none, Peter Wilson and others to play.

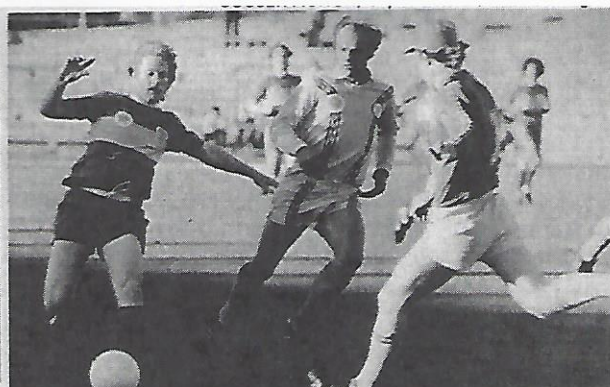
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Heidelberg star John Yzendoorn crashes over Jim O'Reilly of J.U.S.T. Yzendoorn and Gary Cole (right) are in the running for the Victorian PSL Player of the Year award.



The characteristic determination of George Campbell



Star full back Arthur McMillan (centre), helps goalkeeper Jeff Oliver (right) close down Canberra's Terry Byrne.

DUNNE OR FAULKNER?

..and Bannons battle for PSL award

Sweeper Jimmy Dunne of Green Gully Ajax lost his chance to win the Victorian Rothmans Medal when he was sent off recently but he remains a leading candidate for the Bill Fleming Medal.

The Fleming Medal is awarded according to votes by the Press. It previously was known as the Angus Medal.

The winner will be named at a gala dinner at the Vineyard Restaurant in Acland Street, St Kilda, on 24 September.

By

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A Victorian PSL player of the year also will be named.

The dinner and awards are being arranged by the Victorian branch of the Australian Soccer Press Association.

Awards also will be made to:

• Best Victorian under 21 player;

• Victorian coach of the year;

• Victorian referee of the year;

• 1980 Victorian all-star eleven.

All Victorian players, coaches and referees are eligible, regardless of which division they operate in.

Leading candidates for the Fleming Medal are:

JIMMY DUNNE (Ajax), former Eire international who played for Fulham in England. Has added stability and creativity to the Ajax defence since he joined early this year.

BILLY WILKINSON (George Cross), former player-coach who switched from midfield to the sweeper's position where he has played extremely well.

JEFF FAULKNER (Macedonia), winger-turned-midfielder who has been the No. 1 player in Macedonia's championship-winning season.

BOBBY MC GUINNESS (Juventus), a Fleming Medal finalist last year, he has continued to play with characteristic aggression and intelligence and had scored 14 goals before last weekend.

MIKE GLYKOKALAMOS (Western Suburbs), former Heidelberg United star who continued to play some excellent soccer and dominate in the air, even though Wests did struggle in the bottom half of the ladder for most of the year.

JIM PAPARAS (George Cross), brilliant forward who so often played a lone hand in a struggling team.

Among the leading candidates for the Victorian PSL Player of the Year award are:

JOHN YZENDOORN (Heidelberg), now widely recognised as the No. 1 sweeper in Australia, following his brilliant play for Victoria, Heidelberg and the Socceroos.

VINCE BANNON (South Melbourne Hellas): second to none in sheer determination and effort, his tireless work and tough tackling on the right flank have been an outstanding feature of Hellas's play since he joined from Frankston City.

PAT BANNON (Heidelberg), remains the inspiration, the leader, the heart and soul of the team he led to the State League championship in 1975.

DENNIS BOLAND (Footscray JUST), deserves his rating as top PSL goalkeeper of 1980 due to some lifesaving performances for J.U.S.T.

JIM TANSEY (Heidelberg but also for the Socceroos.

Bertie Lutton (Hellas), one of the success stories of the season. Converted to sweeper by coach John Margaritis, Lutton became a key man in the Hellas team, even though he'd been "on the outer" for much of the previous season.

GARY COLE (Heidelberg) — his 21 goals up to last Sunday speak for themselves.

ALAN DAVIDSON (Hellas) — he produced some of the most memorable individual performances of 1980 but the fact that he has missed nine matches due to injury may go against him.

JIM CAMPBELL (Heidelberg) — Played some extraordinary midfield games this year and remains probably the hardest-working player in the Heidelberg team.

GEORGE CAMPBELL (Hellas) — a true virtuoso, he has the ability to make a crowd spring at its feet in sheer excitement;

ARTHUR MC MILLAN (Heidelberg) — extremely underrated player who remained one of the finest full backs in Australia, especially in the second half of the season when some of his games had to be seen to be believed.

Leading players in the running for the best under 21 player award are:

ALAN DAVIDSON (Hellas) — not only one of the best under 21 players, but also one of the finest players in Australia overall, and a must for the national team as soon as he's fully fit again after his recent ankle injury.

THEO SELEMDIS (Heidelberg) — Socceroo who simplified his game and strengthened his defensive qualities to make him an even better player this year;

GEORGE CHRISTOPOULOS (Hellas) — an elegant, intelligent midfielder and, like Davidson and Selemidis, a Socceroo with a boundless future.

JOHN LITTLE (Altona City) — Rode to national prominence with sound displays in the national youth championships in Canberra this year and with his determined play for Altona.

VLATKO BELIC (Footscray JUST) — Like Little, he is in the national youth squad for the 1981 Coca-Cola world youth championship. Belic had some fine games in midfield after being promoted to the senior team by coach Rocco Ilic this year.

SEAN PARTON (Frankston City) — excellent overlapping full back, although he was playing centre back in youth representative teams.

OSCAR CRINO (Juventus) — has brilliant touches and played extremely well in Juventus' midfield and as sweeper for the Victorian youth team.

KEVIN WALL (Frankston) — joined from Frankston Pines during the off-season and had scored 12 goals before last weekend, which must rank among the best performances by a "rookie".

Candidates for the Coach of the Year award are:

JOHN MARGARITIS (Hellas) who gave Hellas the stability it has needed for so long and who helped lift the team from last into the top four.

LEN MCKENDRY (Heidelberg) who did so well with the State team and who also helped coach Heidelberg even before he was appointed officially.

BRIAN EDGLEY (Macedonia), former Hellas, Witelmina, Mooroolbark, Croatia and Doveton coach who has led Macedonia to its first State League championship.

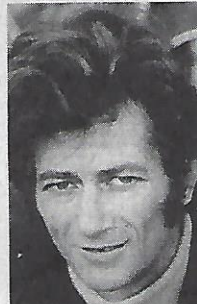
DANNY MC MINIMEE (Doveton), a relative unknown who has burst into the limelight by leading Doveton on a powerful surge to the First Division championship and promotion to State League.

HUGH MURNEY (Park Rangers), about to start his fourth year with Park Rangers and during that period the club

has climbed from Fourth Division into First Division.

TOMMY RANGLES (Frankston Pines), former Slavia star and New Zealand international who has coached Pines to their second successive championship. This time they are promoted to Second Division.

• Previous Bill Fleming Medal winners are on P. 11.



John Margaritis (Hellas).



Hugh Murney (Park Rangers).

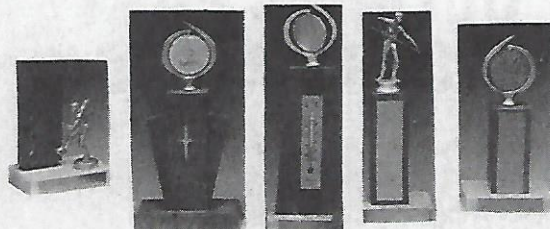
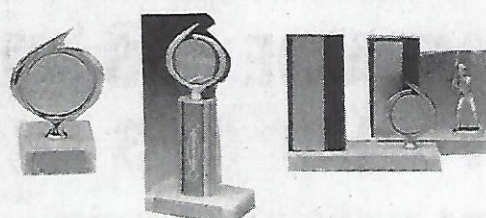
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Fleming Medal favorite Jimmy Dunne (right) kicks the ball away from Croatia's Noel Mitten.



Wests' Mike Glykokalamos, down hurt and attended by Peter Blasby, while with Heidelberg.



Alan Davidson (right), candidate for the best under 21 player award, foils Dragan Vasic of J.U.S.T.

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MARCONI	8	3	1	32	11	5	3	4	19	17	51:28 32
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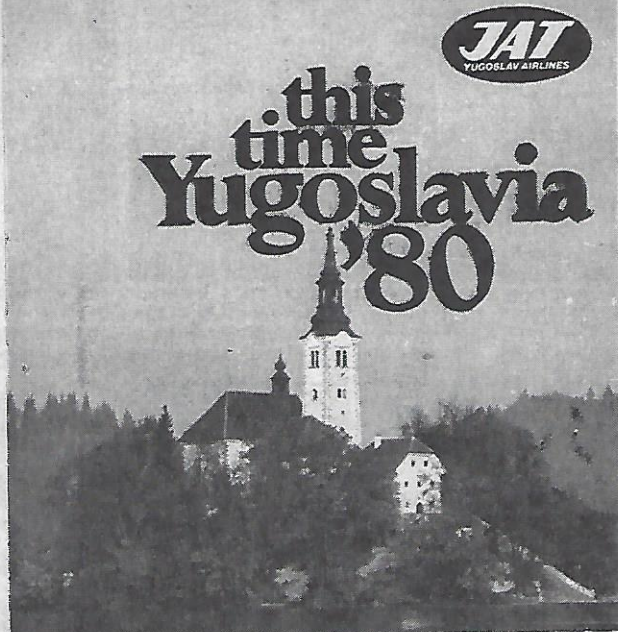
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THIS WEEK'S VOTES

HEIDELBERG 3 MARCONI 3 at Olympic Park.

Ratings by Laurie Schwab:

HEIDELBERG: Oliver 7 — McMillan 8, Yzendoorn 7, P. Bannon 7, Tansey 9 — Selemidis 9, Campbell 9, Rooney 7 — Cole 6, Paton 9, Bozika 8.

MARCONI: Maher 8 — Prako 7 — Brogan 7, Henderson 8, Muir 7 — Cant 8, Byrne 8, Raskopoulos 8, Krncevic 9 — Jankovic 10, Shrans 7.

BRISBANE LIONS 1 NEWCASTLE KB 4 at Rich-

lands. Ratings by Bruce Waddell.

LIONS: Lownds 4, Ontong 8, Bennett 7, Hermiston 8, Niven 8, Hogg 6, Wilson 6, Verwel 4 (Burns 5 45th), McNaughton 5, Millman 6, Wright 6.

NEWCASTLE UNITED — Dando 7, Rooney 7,

Drinkwater 8, Bertogna 8, Curran 8, Jones 8, P. Tre-

dinnick 7 (H. Tredinnick 88th), Mason 7, Heys 9,

Burrows 7, McClelland 7 (Karnasz 72nd).

HELLAS 2 ST. GEORGE 1 at Middle Park. Ratings

by Craig MacKenzie:

HELLAS: Laumets 7 — Bannon 8, Xanthopoulos 7,

Blair 8, Kalesfatis 7 — Cummings 7, Rogers 6, Wright

8 — Kakantonis 7, Evans 8, Buljevic 8.

ST. GEORGE: Fraser 7 — McIntosh 6, Hadley 6,

Russell 6, Terry 6 — Katholos 7, Stone 9, Davies 8 —

Campbell 7 (sent off 68th), Cotton 7, Griffiths 5 (Kay

66th).

WEST ADELAIDE 0 ADELAIDE CITY 2 at Hin-

dmarsh. Ratings by Meno Toutsidis.

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 8 — Dodds 7, Jones 8,

Perin 8, B. Nyskohus 7 — Melita 8, Muniz 8, Russell 7

— Northcote 7, J. Nyskohus 7, Barnes 7.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 9 — Bozanic 7 (Topolans-

ki) Forde 6, Maricic 7, Tymczyzyn 8 — McGechey 7,

Norris 7, McGregor 7 — Kosmina 7, Manecas 7, Hon-

eyman 7.

SYDNEY CITY 2 FOOTSCRAY 2. Ratings by Tom

Anderson.

SYDNEY CITY: Pezzano 8, Thomson 7, Bruce 7,

Stevenson 7, Watson 9, Barnes 8, Boden 6, Silva 6

(sub Mullen 76th min), Spanos 8, Souness 6, Trentor

7.

FOOTSCRAY: Boland 8 Hazabent 6, O'Reilly 8, Kondarios 6, Jovanovic 6, Vasic 7, Ilioski 7, Lujic 9, Rujovic 6 (sub Petrov 75th min), Bolic 7, Kyriakoulas 7.

BLACKTOWN 1 CANBERRA 0 at Gabblo Stadium,

Ratings by Roger Sherack.

BLACKTOWN CITY: James 8, Harrie 6, Pointer 8,

Stowell 6, Pollard 8, Selvaige 7, O'Donnell 6, Horma-

zabal 7, Izatt 6, Wilkinson 7, Hunter 8.

CANBERRA CITY: Wilson 6, Moulie 7, Milovanovic

7, Williams 5, Stark 6, Byrne 5, J. O'Shea 6, Farrell 6,

Cole 7, Valerie 8, Brennan — (Sent off 11th minute)

APIA-LEICHHARDT 2 BRISBANE CITY 1 at Lam-

bert Park. Ratings by Ted Smithies:

LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse 7, Skellern 7, Pullen 7,

Harding 7, Wilson 8, Dempsey (injured 32nd Mossello

8) Butler 7, McAusland 7, Pirie 9, Coyne 6, O'Connor

7.

BRISBANE CITY: Coe 6, Potter 7, Ratcliffe 7,

Perry 8, Wilkinson 7, Pimblett 7, Conner 7, Low 7,

Caldwell 7, Kelso 7, Hamilton 7.

Leading ratings:

8.3 Hermiston (BL)

8.1 V. Bannon (SM)

8.0 Rooney (Newc), Barnes, Watson (SC), Crook

(WA).

7.9 Milovanovic (Can), J. Campbell (H'berg),

Boland (Foots).

7.8 Ratcliffe (BC), Bennett (BL), McMillan, Tansey,

Rooney (H'berg).

7.7 Perry (SC) Ontong (BL), Yzendoorn (H'berg),

Maher (Marc), Lutton, G. Campbell (SM), Boden (SC).

7.6 Jones (AC), Hogg (BL), Cole, P. Bannon, Paton

(H'berg), D. Cole (Can), Xanthopoulos (SM), Mullen

(SC).

7.5 Muniz, Dodds (AC), P. Wilson, P. O'Connor (A-

PIA), Potter (BC), Novon (BL), R. O'Shea (Can), Kon-

darios (Foots), G. Byrne (Marc), Drinkwater, Ber-

togna (Newc), Laumets (SM), S. O'Connor, Steven-

son (SC).

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15. Jankovic (Marci),
14. Paton (H'berg),
13. Krncevic (Marci),
11. Boden (SC), J. Nyskohus (AC),
10. M. Barnes (SC), Buljevic (SM), P. O'Connor (APIA),
9. Wilkinson (Black), Kelso (BC),
8. Stevenson (SC), Duarte (St.G), Milman (BL), C. Barnes (AC),
7. Sharna, G. Byrne (Marci), Vasic (Foot), Giampeolo, Valeri (Can),
6. G. Campbell, Evans (SM), T. Byrne (Can), Trenter (SC), Hays (Nowc),
5. Kosmina, Manecas (WA), Jones (Nowc), J. Campbell (H'berg), Bozilas (H'berg), Hunter (Black), Lujic (Foot), Pire (APIA),
4. Smith (SC), J. O'Shea (Can), Ratcliffe (BC), O'Donnell (Black), Cotton (St.G), Yzendoorn (H'berg).

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- 7.9 Milovanovic (Can),
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7.5 Bertogna (Newc),
7.3 Woodhouse (APIA), Gimpapolo (Can),
7.2 Moulis (Can), Spanos (SC),
7.1 Selemidis (H'berg), Krncevic (Marci),
7.0 Hunter (Black), Raskopoulos (Marci).

BEST UNDER 21 PLAYER AWARD

A return trip to Surfers Paradise for two by courtesy of Soccer Action in conjunction with T.A.A. will go to the best Under 21 player according to Soccer Action Ratings.

New Cup and old Cup too

The spectacular new Victoria Cup competition is scheduled to kick off on Wednesday, 22 October.

The Cup will be contested by the top five Victorian State League teams — Makedonia, Croatia, Ajax, Hakoah and Juventus — and PSL clubs Heidelberg, Hellas and J.U.S.T.

Heidelberg president Jim Mangopoulos said he was not sure whether his club should compete, as it will lose star players to the national squad which will tour in November.

However, VSF chairman Michael Weinstein, the man behind the new competition, is confident Heidelberg will fall in to line. He pointed out that Heidelberg had excellent reserve players in Charlie

Yankos, Bob Provan, Ken Taylor and George Pavlidis who could fill in for any absent Socceros.

Weinstein recommended to the VSF board of management last night (Wednesday) that the State League top four series should be played before the Victoria Cup starts.

This would ensure that the State League clubs are not idle while waiting for the Philips League teams to complete their own top four commitments.

Weinstein proposed that the State League top four series be played as double-headers at Olympic Park on Wednesday 8 October, Sunday 12 October, Wednesday 15 October and the final on Sunday 19 October.

This however, leaves the fifth-placed State League team out in the cold having to occupy itself with practice matches.

The Victoria Cup will be played as double-headers on Wednesday nights and Sunday afternoons at Olympic Park and Middle Park.

Groupings are:
GROUP A: Heidelberg, Makedonia, J.U.S.T., Juventus.

GROUP B: Hellas, Croatia, Hakoah, Ajax.

Dates are:
Wednesday 22 October, Olympic Park.
Sunday 26 October, Middle Park.
Wednesday 29 October, Olympic Park.
Sunday 2 November, Middle Park.
Wednesday 6 November, Olympic Park.
Sunday 10 November, Middle Park.
Semi-finals: Wednesday 13 November, Olympic Park.
Final: Sunday, 17 November, Olympic Park.

Bergers and slickers to drop points?

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Sydney City's hopes of clinching the PSL title could well hinge on the outcome of the Slickers' clash with Adelaide City at Olympic Sports Field this Sunday.

The Slickers will be aware of the full importance of the task ahead of them when they run onto City's home ground because title challenger Heidelberg play on Saturday against Newcastle at the International Sports Centre.

The clash between the Bergers and Newcastle could revolve around the ability of the Gary Cole-Jamie Paton partnership to resume scoring touch after being effectively closed out in two recent clashes with Adelaide City. Newcastle's strikers David Jones and Paul Burrows, supported by Graham Hays out wide, face as steady a defensive combination as any in the land.

The ability of Heidelberg to quickly push players forward will test the recovery and supporting capability of Newcastle's defence but Paul Reaney, Roy Drinkwater, Arno Bertogna and Col Curran are fine defenders and the Bergers' aim of snatching two away points could prove hard to realise.

A draw would not seriously impair Heidelberg's title hopes providing Rale Rasic's Adelaide City can knock off Sydney City.

Rasic's side showed up as a fine, disciplined combination when it was put out of the Philips Cup on penalties by Heidelberg. If Colin Barnes can again find room in dangerous positions up front the Slickers could nose dive but it would surprise if the patient possession football of Sydney's top side came unstuck.

Stopping Ken Boden is not even half the battle won against this class side as players of the quality of Murray Barnes, Joe Watson, a very underrated player, Hilton Silva, John Stevenson and Kevin Mullen look too talented for Adelaide City but the strange way in which Rasic's charges appear to excel against top class opposition suggests a tough 90 minutes for the Slickers.

A draw looks a distinct possibility in this main barrier to Sydney City's surge toward another PSL championship.

Brisbane soccer comes fully alive when Lions and City meet head on in a local derby destined to attract a large, vocal crowd to Lions Stadium.

The history of such derbies has been of tight, close fought matches irrespective of the relative PSL standings of Lions and City. Flip a coin and take your pick because I'm not game enough to stick out my neck for the umpteenth time and select either side.

J.U.S.T. and Blacktown have struggled this season but J.U.S.T. looks to be capable of shading the PSL newcomer in what should be a hard hitting encounter at Western Oval this Sunday.

I well remember the joy of watching J.U.S.T.'s tremendous possession football in previous seasons when the ball would travel

no more than 10 metres with short passes inside J.U.S.T.'s defensive half taunting opposing sides to come forward before a sudden long ball would find former J.U.S.T. greats Mendo Ristovski or Branko Buljevic breaking away and slotting in simple but well taken goals.

This was and is J.U.S.T. at its best, indeed it was the hallmark of its play but it is no longer a feature of its game and the club is now attempting to avoid the relegation zone. A win here will allow J.U.S.T. to regroup, rethink and take appropriate action for an assault upon next year's PSL.

Weekend's games with likely winners and previous results:

IN SYDNEY
MARCONI V Hellas at Marconi Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - Marci 3-0, 2-1, 1978 - Marci 3-0, 1-1, 1979 - Marci 6-0, 2-1, 1980 - Hellas 3-1. Advantage Marconi 5 wins, 1 draw, 1 loss. Goals: 18.6.

St George V WEST ADELAIDE at Barton Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - StG 1-0, 3-3, 1978 - StG 4-1, WA 1-0, 1979 - StG 2-0, 1-0, 1980 - WA 1-0. Advantage St. George 4 wins, 1 draw, 2 losses. Goals: 11.6.

IN NEWCASTLE
Newcastle V Heidelberg (draw) at the International Sports Centre, Saturday, 2.30 pm. Previous results: 1978 - Heidelberg 2-2, 1979 - Newcastle 4-2, 3-3, 1980 - Heidelberg 4-0. Advantage Heidelberg 2 wins, 2 draws, 1 loss. Goals: 10.9.

IN ADELAIDE
Adelaide City V Sydney City (draw) at Olympic Sports Field, Sunday, 2.30 pm. Previous results: 1977 - SC 6-1, 2-1, 1978 - AC 2-1, SC 1-0, 1979 - AC 3-0, 2-1, 1980 - SC 2-1. Advantage Sydney City 4 wins, 1 draw, 2 losses. Goals: 15.9.

IN MELBOURNE
FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. V Blacktown at Western Oval, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous result: 1980 - BC 3-0.

IN CANBERRA
CANBERRA V APIA Leichhardt at Bruce Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1979 - APIA 3-0, 0-0, 1980 - APIA 2-1.

IN BRISBANE
Brisbane Lions V Brisbane City (draw) at Lions Stadium, Sunday, 3 pm. Previous results: 1977 - BC 3-1, Lions 2-1, 1978 - BC 2-1, Lions 1-0, 1979 - BC 2-1, 0-0, 1980 - 1-1. Advantage Brisbane City 3 wins, 2 draws, 2 losses. Goals: 9.7.



Heidelberg's striker Jamie Paton (front) and the man who tried rather unsuccessfully to mark him, Tony Henderson.



Bobby Russell of Adelaide City rides a tackle by West Adelaide's Graham Norris. Picture by FRANK HOBBS



West Adelaide's Tom Forde darts between Brian Northcote (No. 8) and Agenor Muniz at Hindmarsh

LEVY ON ALL REGISTRATIONS

The player registration system throughout Australia is to be overhauled, ASF marketing expert Rik Booth told a Press conference in Sydney last week.

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Our top goalkeeper this week is MARTYN CROOK of West Adelaide. He now leads in the voting.

KB to get UK pair

Newcastle KB United will recruit at least two top class players from the UK for next season, says coach Alan Vest.

He says they may not be quite in the class of Paul Reaney, but both will have played between 300 and 400 league games.

Vest also may help Wollongong City recruit some players from the UK.

Vest was expected to become Wollongong's coach before he renewed his contract with Newcastle.

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Trenter off, Lujic tops

SYDNEY CITY 2
FOOTSCRAY JUST 2

Scorers: Sydney City: Trenter 16th, Spanos 94th. Footscray: Lujic 60th & 87th.
Cautions: Hazabent, Kriyakoulous, Jovanovic, Kondarios.
Sent Off: Trenter.
Referee: Doug Rennie 7.
Ground: Sydney Athletic Field. Conditions: Hot.

If Sydney City fails to win the 1980 Phillips Soccer League title, the man it can blame is Footscray's dynamic striker Zkravac Lujic.

For it was Lujic who was instrumental in taking a valuable point from the Slickers in this explosive encounter.

And to be honest, the Slickers can count themselves very lucky to have avoided defeat, with their equiser coming, four minutes into injury time.

Apart from Lujic's brilliance on the Footscray left wing, the Victorians were by no means a brilliant team.

However they were fighting for their lives and their second half performance was one of guts and determination.

In fact, it's a long time since a Footscray team performed with such determination and effort.

The first half belonged to Sydney City and instead of going into the dressing room one up at the interval they should have gone in with three goals on the board at least.

Their goal came in the 18th minute when Mark Trenter slid home a Joe Watson cross from the right.

Watson got behind the Footscray defence and pulled one up at the interval they should have gone in with three goals on the board at least.

Trenter had the easiest of jobs sliding the ball home. After this, the Slickers had complete control and dictated play at will.

Footscray seemed to be content to stay back on the defensive and keep the scoreline down.

During this period the Slickers, with Joe Watson in brilliant form, created at least three good scoring chances which they missed.

These misses proved to be costly.

Saints may be easier

ADELAIDE CITY 2
WEST ADELAIDE 0

Scorers: — Muniz 5st, Barnes 79th.
Cautions: — McGachey (West).
Referee: Chris Bambridge.
Crowd: 5,650.
Weather: Windy.

Adelaide City continued its virtual total domination of West Adelaide with a decisive 2-0 win at Hindmarsh Stadium.

The win was City's fifth in eight matches against their home town rivals.

As usual, City looked the more composed and efficient side although it had to battle against a strong gale in the first half.

It was during this first half which West looked as if it could break through City's defence.

But City played it extremely tight and as a result it took West until the 20th minute to threaten when John Kosminia flicked a header in.

Later Kosminia fired a powerful shot over the bar while Ian McGregor caused Peter Marshall discomfort with a goalmouth cross.

City's midfield of Aggie Muniz, Sergio Melia and Bobby Russell was full of running and power although Graham Honeyman, McGregor and Neil McGachey also combined well.

Both Peter Marshall and Martyn Crook performed well in what must have been abysmal conditions for goalkeepers.

Indeed, both men deserve a place in Rudi Gutendorf's squad.

Crook made a super save in the 33rd minute when he smothered a powerful Melia free kick from 20 metres.

With no goals at half time, West attempted to duplicate City's tactics of not allowing the opposition the room and time to set up a shot.

West succeeded, but it gave away two soft goals.

The first came in the 51st minute when Muniz got a touch to a flick from David Jones to roll the ball in inches out.

Brian Northcote could have added a second goal but he put the ball over the bar from 10 metres.

KB helped by Lownds

NEWCASTLE KB 4
BRISBANE LIONS 1

Scorers: Newcastle: Treddinick 34th, McClelland 45th, Heyes 63rd & 85th; Lions: Ontong 64th.
Ground: Lions Stadium.
Weather: Fine and gusty.
Crowd: 2367.

Referee: P. Rampley 9.
Newcastle United finally broke through for their first win over Brisbane Lions in the PSL and they did it in style with a commanding 4-1 hammering at the Lions Stadium.

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Lions are now working on who will be in their squad next year and once again several players would have done their causes no good whatsoever.

It is almost certain Lions will not renew contracts for Kivis Mark McNaughton and John Verwey and possibly now a big cloud might hang over the future of goalkeeper Nigel Lownds.

Brought back into the squad recently after many weeks on the sidelines, Lownds had been in fine touch, but hit the depths in this game. He could be held responsible for at least three of the KB goals.

Graham Heyes had a sparkling game on the wing and was ably supported by Paul Burrows, David Jones and youngsters Malcolm McClelland and Peter Treddinick.

The latter started the goalscoring in the 34th minute, although Newcastle had almost gone one up before that.

Gol Curran delivered a typical clubblaster from all of 40 metres which Lownds could not hold and Burrows scored really have pounced on the rebound, but it was blocked by the keeper.

Lownds had many anxious moments and could not grab the ball in a difficult, swirling wind and looked a two-goal wonder in fact and that's what KB led by at half time.

Treddinick scored the opener from deep on the left as his shot eluded Lownds hopelessly as he backpedalled into the net.

Niven set up Lions' best chances with some slicing runs and Millman almost capitalised on two of them, but really all Lions had to show in this period was an Ontong shot to Phil Dando and a McNaughton drive over the top.

The second goal came right on half time from a Heyes corner, after which Hermonston appeared to be impeded on the near post as he tried to head clear.

The ball thus carried on into the middle where Roy Drinkwater headed on and McClelland finished off.

Goal feast for Whitlam

HEIDELBERG UTD 3
MARCONI 3

Goals: Marc: Krncevic 8th, Jankovics 23rd and 30th; H'berg: Bozikas 18th, Zenden 35th, Paton 45th.
Ground: Olympic Park.
Weather: Strong wind from goal to goal.
Crowd: 5553.
Scorers: Muir, Cant, Henderson, Paton, Bozikas (Marconi).
Referee: Don Campbell (SA).

What a preview for the Phillips Cup final! Exhilarating attacks and desperate defence by both sides made this the most exciting match played in Melbourne this season — certainly tip-top entertainment for Gough Whitlam who was present with Heidelberg's No. 1 membership card to the enthusiastic cheers of the 5500 crowd before the kick-off.

Shaking hands with all the players, Whitlam said: "I know there is a great deal of competition between the four football clubs but one thing you have to say about soccer is that it is the original football code and the only one played in every State and in every country."

His reference to soccer's internationalism was restated in his remarks on this day, as the Heidelberg-Marconi match features no less than 16 Soceroos (counting Jamie Paton who apparently is to be included in Gutendorf's touring squad).

Jim Tansey, Theo Selemidis, Paton, Eddie Krncevic and especially man-of-the-match Mark Jankovics all displayed their best international form. Soceroo captain Tony Henderson also chipped in with a couple of match-saving clearances and tackles, but his marking could have been tighter.

Jankovics, who scored two goals, set one up for Krncevic and created many more opportunities than he could have in goals. He had Marconi ahead 3-1 after half an hour and continued tormenting the Heidelberg defence. He and Krncevic were cited the most often by Jim Cant who dominated the right flank against Jimmy Rooney.

It was only during a brief period of the second half that the sound of the vintage Rooney magic.

But Heidelberg staged a magnificent fightback to draw level at 3-3 on the stroke of half time, and it could have won the left back, playing right half.

In fact, had Henderson not slung Cole to the ground as Cole set off on the break just before the end, Heidelberg probably would have snatched the two points.

Marconi lined up with Jim Muir on Cole, Henderson on Paton, Peter Brogan on Andy Bozikas and Jim Cant, usually the left back, playing right half.

Selemidis, who played an extremely mature, intelligent midfield game, was first to threaten the goal when he headed at the far post for a good header after a long free kick from Jim Tansey.

Heidelberg was looking extremely good as Jim Campbell burst through on a lay-off from Paton but was stopped by a Henderson trip.

But the Bergers lost the initiative when John Zendenroo literally gave Marconi's first goal in the 8th minute. He passed the ball straight to the feet of Jankovics, who dashed past him and cut out goalkeeper Jeff Oliver with a quick shot.

Lownds again only played the ball away a couple of metres and Heyes could have had the proverbial cup of tea, such was the time he had in which to grab the chance and billow the net.

Lions' third Ontong up into the attack in an effort to salvage something and he produced a consolation goal in the 64th minute, after a Graham Wilson cross and some determination from young Danny Wright.

10 Saints stand tall

HELLAS 2
ST. GEORGE 1

Ground: Middle Park.
Crowd: about 1,600.
Referee: Mr. Kerr 8.
Weather: Cool and overcast.
Scorers: Kakantonis, Wright (Hellas).
Cautions: Cotton, Campbell (St. G.).

St. George should feel robbed after a controversial referee decision involving linesman Evan Venios ruled out a goal by Roy Cotton which would have made the score 2-2 late in the game.

And St. George had only 10 men at the time. Indeed Ernie Campbell's send off, for what appeared like dissent, occurred in the 68th minute when the Sydneysiders down 0-2.

If only St. George had shown as much fight with a full side as it showed when reduced to 10 men the result could have been entirely different.

But soccer is not built around what could have been. Rather it is a case of accepting your lot and facing up to the next match and to be fair Hellas missed some atters especially in the second half.

Hellas opened with the aid of the wind but was hampered by an injury which relegated the dynamic George Campbell to the reserve bench.

Duncan Cummings dropped back to cover for the loss of Campbell in midfield and helped to break the tentative opening by both sides with long-range shots which Mike Fraser handled competently.

Fraser was not as competent as he looked when a curling corner from the left by Hellas midfielder Sammy Wright was met by Steve Kakantonis in full flight and headed home from point blank range with Fraser stranded.

In John Davies and especially Steve Stone, St. George had two fine midfielders whose disposal and support was excellent but the visitors lacked penetration up front where Ernie Campbell looked to be the only forward capable of consistently finding space.

Campbell, however, was often forced deep in search of room and Steve Blair and Arthur Xanthopoulos had little trouble in repelling attacks.

Hellas' second goal, in the 35th minute, appeared to clinch the game.

Sammy Wright, easily Hellas' best midfielder, broke clear from just over the half line and charged toward two St. George defenders.

Wright had two options open to him, with Kakantonis wide on Wright's left and Cummings charging down the right unopposed.

Wright knocked a 10-metre ball into the path of Cummings who then shot low toward the far post.

No doubt the shot would have gone in but Kakantonis and Wright raced toward the ball, with Wright getting the decisive touch to put Hellas two up.

Canberra in deep trouble

BLACKTOWN CITY 1
CANBERRA 0

Stadium: Gabbie.
Crowd: 2618.
Referee: Richard Lorenc 9.
Yellow cards: Izzit (15'), Hornazabal (27'), Milovanovic (28'), Williams (58').
Red cards: Brennan (11').

After 11 minutes of the game so the Gabbie Stadium Tony Brennan went to tackle Steve Pollard with a "head high" tackle from behind and was promptly sent off by referee Richard Lorenc.

Ugly scenes followed as Brennan faced Hornazabal, pushed him to the ground then turned to the stands shaping up to one of the irate Blacktown supporters.

It was a moment of indiscretion that this young man will probably remember for the rest of his life.

The implications of this defeat, to which Brennan's action probably contributed, could be great. Canberra City is deep in the relegation zone and could easily finish second last by the end of the season.

Canberra City, not even a shadow of the team that had beaten St. George and Sydney City at the beginning of the season, battled gamely with ten men hoping to get a point and could have snatched a draw if it had been for Bruce James in goal for the Demons.

But in the end it was beaten by an 88th minute goal, scored by Ian Hunter, and will surely be reflecting on the 11th minute incident when summarising its effort at the Gabbie Stadium.

The locals opened brightly, but were soon matched stride for stride by Canberra. In fact it was a depleted Canberra that had the slight edge in the first half, but with very little to show for it.

In the 50th minute Wilkinson's shot was cleared off the line by Danny Moulis, then seconds later John O'Hara misused his shot after a snap chance came in his way inside the penalty box.

The game was marred with numerous incidents and Rickie Lorenc had to caution a number of players. Jimmy Blair, Steve Blair, Hornazabal for Blacktown and Mike Milovanovic of Canberra entered the pages of Mr Lorenc's "diary" for their indiscretion, to be joined by Harry Williams in the 75th minute.

Good football was sparse in the first half with players from both sides having great difficulty finding their players with some misdirected passes.

The only real chance in this period fell to Ian Hunter in the 30th minute. From a cross by Hornazabal, Jimmy Izzit nodded the ball towards Hunter who made a great effort to reach the ball and managed to hit it past Wilson but the ball rebounded off the post and was headed by Milovanovic.

In the second half Canberra fell back, hoping to secure a point.

Blacktown City toiled but with little to show for its efforts. In both sides appeared content with the draw. Then Harry Williams took a hand in the proceedings giving Brian O'Donnell a perfect gift which he headed in the 67th minute.

With Hunter running hard O'Donnell was quick to size the opening sending a perfect through pass to his winger.

APIA with late surge

LEIGHHARDT 2
BRISBANE CITY 1

Ground: Lambert Park.
Crowd: 2103.
Referee: J. Reeves 7.
Scorers: Pirie (2) 67', 77', Kelso 42'.
Yellow cards: Coyne 37', Hamilton 45'.
Red cards: Nil.

APIA Leighhardt came home strongly to defeat Brisbane City 2-1 in what one can only describe as "a relegate us if you dare" performance.

Although being the stronger side at the finish and clearly deserving a win Leighhardt did not have things all its own way.

First half honours went to City which with a 1-0 lead at the break, looked poised to take two invaluable points back to Brisbane.

This was apparent to all in attendance, especially the small band of vocal City supporters who sensed that Leighhardt would need to produce something extra to overcome not only this deficit, but also the loss of its most competitive player, Jim Dempsey, who would be replaced due to injury in the 32nd minute.

The match started sedately enough with very few chances going to either side. Terrifically it was all City but it displayed little creativity in front of goal and Leighhardt's well drilled defence handled matters quite calmly.

Kevin Caldwell had a reasonable chance in the 21st minute but to his dismay he gave Peter Wilson too much time and had the ball stolen off his toes just as he was about to shoot.

Steve Perry caused some commotion by putting one over the bar in the 36th minute, however the real concern happened just two minutes later when the underlying tensions of two sides desperate for points came to the surface and half a dozen players decided to slog it out.

After Reeves showed considerable restraint and judgement in only issuing one caution which was to Leighhardt's John Coyne who appeared to want to continue proceedings.

The incident had very little effect on City and only minutes later it took a 1-0 lead from a Barry Kelso header from a Caldwell corner.

After a short period after the break it looked as though City was going to go on with things.

Household just pushed wide a header by David Ratcliffe which was half time words to minutes later a chance was wasted by Bobby Hamilton when he lobbed over the bar after being well placed.

By this time however Willy Wallace's half time words to his players must have sunk in, for Leighhardt skipped up a couple of gears and moved straight into overdrive.

So it then was all Leighhardt with chances a plenty.

Dave Harding led City off in blasting one over the bar in the 62nd minute. He misused a first time hit from a relatively easy position and Martin Coe must have thought it was his lucky day.

Billy Pirie had other ideas and brought Leighhardt back into the match with a delightful goal in the 67th minute.

The ball came in from the flank to Tony Morsello who crossed it back into the centre for Pirie to side foot into the net.

Coe threw the ball at Pirie who at the time was flat on the ground and he did not believe one would expect from a PSL keeper.

It was Pirie, 10 minutes later who scored the decider, when Morsello dropped the ball at his feet. He relished his second opportunity and coolly slotted the ball past the diving Coe.

The Leighhardt supporters were by this time yelling for a third and Pirie and Morsello nearly obliged in the 83rd minute when Pirie pushed the ball to Morsello but his shot found the side netting.

For a richard it was a real triumph in coming from behind to take the points.

It must have been more of a triumph for Bill Pirie however who added two goals to his tally in what for him has been a very lean season.

Game was 'too long'

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. defender Jim O'Reilly (pictured) is going to Scotland and will be available for the last two PSL rounds.

Long-serving coach Cedo Cirkovic who quit last year, started helping caretaker coach Jim Kriharis with training last week and was in Sydney with the team for a game against league leader Sydney City.

Cirkovic was angry that the referee allowed too much injury time.

He added on five minutes and 50 seconds during which Sydney City scored the equalising goal, Cirkovic said.

There should have been only two or three minutes' injury time.

J.U.S.T. was leading 2-1 after two goals by Zdravko

Croatia raffle

Croatia's Special Effort Raffle was drawn last Saturday night at the club's annual bazaar.

First prize went to ticket No. 8189, Martin Kovacevic, 1 Wyong street, East Kellor, who won a return air fare to Europe flying KLM.

Second prize went to ticket No. 7015, Cheryl Patterson, C/Rocky's Sports Store, Burwood, who won a return air fare for two to Hobart flying TAA.

Third prize went to ticket No. 8015, Mrs. S. Pavletic, 15 Lincoln Street, Watsonia who

Rigby move?

Disgraced Hakoah midfielder Doug Rigby is looking for a new club and can be contacted on 870 9979 or 873 1133.

Rigby will appeal against the transfer of his head to Hakoah but must wait until 1 De-

Old Ardeer

Ardeer (Vic) old boys and committee will play against each other in the proposed game against Egypt during the Soceroos' week tour in November.

Roos from Egypt

Melbourne radio 3EA is standing by for a direct radio broadcast from Cairo should Australia go ahead with its proposed game against Egypt during the Soceroos' week tour in November.

PHILIPS CUP SEMI-FINALS

Is Nyskohus midfield saviour?

By LAURIE SCHWAB

By now most readers will know about Heidelberg's great escape, about how John Perin and Agenor Muniz hit the woodwork during the penalties showdown after Adelaide City had been well in command.

But you probably know less about John Nyskohus's remarkable performance.

Rale Rasic talked about the wonderful job David Jones did as stopper against Gary Cole. Others marvelled at the fine skill displayed by Muniz—but a lot of Muniz's shine faded when he hit his penalty against the crossbar.

What I saw more than anything else was the tireless attacking play of right back Glen Dadds and, most of all, the fanatical commitment of Nyskohus.

A striker before this season, Nyskohus appears to revel in his new midfield role. The way he chased back and tackled in the penalty area reminded me of two games he played for the Soccerros—against Northern Ireland in Adelaide after he replaced Steve Perry at half time, and in China against the Canton Army team after replacing Jimmy Rooney.

HEIDELBERG UNITED 0 ADELAIDE CITY 0, Heidelberg won 3-1 on penalties, Philips Cup semi-final at Olympic Park, crowd about 3000. Penalty scorers, Heidelberg: Cole, Paton, Zvendorn; AC: J. Nyskohus. Heidelberg: Oliver 8 — McMillan 8, Zvendorn 7, P. Bannon 9, Tansley 8 — Selemidis 7 (Williams 7, 85th), Campbell 7, Rooney 7 — Cole 5, Paton 7, Boziskas 6. Adelaide City: Marshall 8 — Dadds 9, Russell 8, Perin 8, Jones 9, B. Nyskohus 8 — Muniz 8, Melta 8, J. Nyskohus 9 — Northcote 7, Barnes 7. Referee: Tim Davies 8. Yellow cards: Zvendorn (H), Dadds (AC), Russell (AC).

Nyskohus started the match against Theo Selemidis at left midfield, but he was everywhere else as well.

When Andy Boziskas raced clear on the break after a free, overhead ball from Arthur McMillan in midfield, and then tried to cross, it was little Nyskohus who was there to block.

A few minutes later Nyskohus made a great clearance inside the penalty area as Boziskas cut the ball back off the line, aiming for Jim Campbell in the middle. When Jamie Paton looked like scoring from close range, Nyskohus was there to stick his foot in front of Paton and block the ball once more.

Nyskohus did just as much going forward. In the 49th min-

ute, for example, he worked the ball forward from midfield, relayed it to Sergio Melta who in turn gave Dadds a chance to score but Dadds' shot was over the bar.

In the 56th minute Muniz shielded the ball well on a brilliant run before passing short to Nyskohus who quickly played it square to Colin Barnes for a shot but goalkeeper Jeff Oliver smothered it. Just before the end of regular time, Nyskohus ran down a seemingly hopeless ball and managed a quick cross to Dadds but the full back shot just past the post with Oliver beaten.

Within a flash, Nyskohus was back in defence to foil Jim Williams who threatened the Adelaide City goal after being put through by Cole.

And he moved forward once more, starting a quick break in which Melta played the ball inside the penalty area for Muniz but McMillan was there to clear in the nick of time.

The most unstable department of the national team is its midfield, Nyskohus therefore is indispensable to the Soccerros.

While Nyskohus, Dadds, Muniz, Jones, Melta and Co. put on their show, Pat Bannon emerged as the strong man of Heidelberg. While so much was crumbling around him, Bannon stood tall, he took all of the responsibility in defence, he continued shouting encouragement to his men and pushing them forward.

His fellow defenders, Arthur McMillan, Jim Tansley and John Zvendorn also played well, as did goalkeeper Oliver. They were under heavy pressure during the second half, when Heidelberg allowed Adelaide City's 12 midfielders to do as they liked.

When Heidelberg's twin striker system works, it is devastating, as is obvious from the 34 goals Paton and Cole have scored this year. When they are blotted out as they were by Adelaide City for the third time this season, it creates major problems.

Heidelberg does not appear to have contingency plans. Also, the absence of width up front enabled Dadds to attack as he liked. In fact, he played more as a winger or midfielder than as a full back.

Tansley and McMillan were tied down to their defensive duties to a greater extent than Dadds was because Adelaide City always had attackers wide, demanding to be watched.

Having been beat by Adelaide City 1-0 in their first game and having been held to a scoreless draw the second time, Heidelberg was determined to get revenge this time and its brilliant play in the first half suggested that revenge would be achieved.

But an unforgivable mistake by a linesman probably cost Heidelberg a goal. The linesman flagged offside as Boziskas broke through on a solo run, even though Boziskas did not pass the ball!

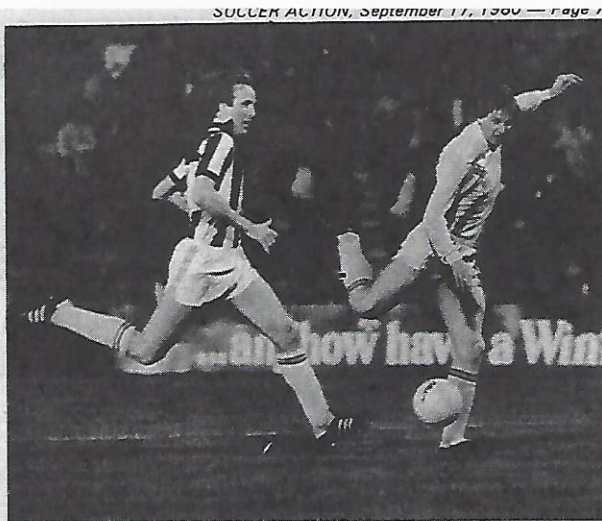
Paton set off on a dynamic run from the half line, beating Bobby Russell on the way. He flicked the ball wide to Boziskas and would have scored had Jones not cut out Boziskas's return ball.

Then Jim Campbell played the ball back along the goal line after a cross from Tansley. Paton was racing in, trying to reach Campbell's ball but goalkeeper Peter Marshall got to it first and punched clear.

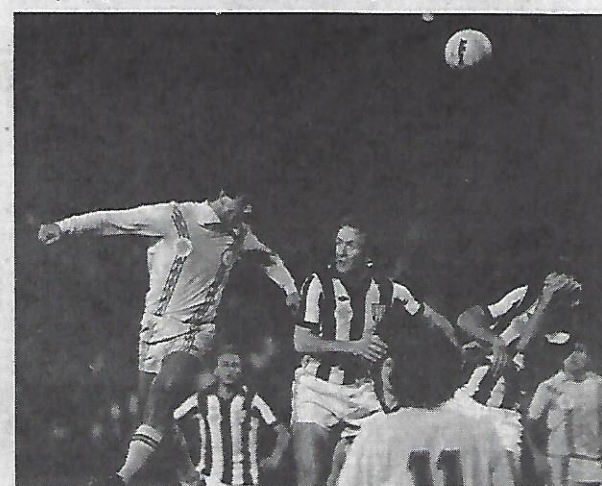
In the 25th minute a brilliant cross from Tansley found Paton in the middle. He tried to lob Marshall with a header but it was a little too high.

Selemidis started a dangerous attack with a crossfield ball to Rooney who relayed it wide to Cole on the run. Cole should have had a shot but he tried a flick to Paton which was cut out before it reached its target.

Adelaide City took over after half time. In one of the



Gary Cole (right) beats David Jones on a rare occasion during the Philips Cup semi-final between Heidelberg and Adelaide City.



Theo Selemidis (left) rises high to head goalward under challenge from David Jones.

most breathtaking moves of the game, Melta rode two foul tackles by McMillan as referee Tim Davies played the advantage. Heidelberg tried the old play of pushing the ball around in defence, hoping for Adelaide City to open up. Adelaide City was too smart for that.

Tansley came to the rescue in the 63rd minute to clear the ball behind goalkeeper Oliver who had been beaten by a shot from Barnes after Melta had run forward with the ball.

Dadds and Bugsy Nyskohus belted the ball over the bar as City stormed forward on two more raids. Tansley headed clear at the far post for a corner just before Muniz's cross could reach Dadds and then came one of City's most promising moves.

Melta won the ball in midfield and timed a brilliant long forward pass to perfection as Heidelberg's defence moved out. The ball landed truly for Dadds who was just inside. Dadds tried to flick a sly header past Oliver who had come out to him, but Oliver managed to grab the ball.

In the 75th minute Dadds intercepted an Zvendorn free kick, ran forward and passed inside to Brian Northcote whose shot was saved low by Oliver.

As the second half of extra time started, Paton flicked the ball on for Cole but Jones put up his hand to stop the ball before it reached Cole who would certainly have scored to cap off a fine move started by Bannon and Rooney. Jones' handball resulted in a free kick but, strangely, no yellow card.

Cole put the ball into the net in the 111th minute. Boziskas had been fouled in trying to burst through, and referee Davies played advantage because Boziskas retained possession. Had Boziskas kept running, he may have scored, but instead he got the ball forward to Cole who was offside.

Boziskas had another scoring chance two minutes from the end of extra time. He was left in the clear as a defender slipped but instead of running at goal, he inexplicably tried to lob Marshall from 20 metres, even though Marshall wasn't even off his line.

Heidelberg won the game in the penalties showdown and will meet Marconi in the final. The penalties went like this: J. Nyskohus 1-0; Cole 1-1; Perin hits the post, Paton 2-1; Muniz hits the bar; Zvendorn 3-1; Barnes's shot saved by Oliver.

'Gladbach profit

Borussia Monchengladbach have published their accounts for last season and thanks to their U.E.F.A. Cup campaign (they reached the Final) they are one of the few clubs in West Germany to show a profit.

The main items are:

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One of the few times John Nyskohus appeared motionless against Heidelberg.

PHILLIPS CUP TWO LEGS

The Philips Cup final will be played in two legs, one in Melbourne and one in Sydney. The games will be probably on 4 and 8 October.

It was suggested the Philips Cup final and the Victorian Dockers' Cup final should be played as a double-header in Melbourne on 5 October but Marconi disagreed.

Krncevic the killer

By ROGER SHERACK

Eddie Krncevic, the tall bustling striker of Marconi scored one of the easiest goals of his career almost from the kick-off to give Marconi the expected but not so easily won semi-final cup game against Brisbane Lions.

MARCONI 1 (Eddie Krncevic 3rd) BRISBANE LIONS 0 at Marconi Stadium, Philips Cup Semi-final, crowd 3400.

MARCONI: Maher 8, Brogan 6, Henderson 7, Prskalo 6, Muir 6, Cant 7, Byrne 6 (Vieri 6 — 56') Raskopoulos 7, Jankovic 6, Krncevic 7, Sharne 6.

BRISBANE LIONS: Lownds 7, Ontong 7, (Burns 80'), Niven 7, Hermiston 8, Bennett 7, Wright 6, Wilson 6, (Daunt 87'), Hogg 6, McNaughton 6, Verweij 8, Millman 5.

on a number of occasions. However, all the attacking flare of the visiting side broke well before Maher had to intervene giving the Marconi keeper only a few chances to show his brilliance.

Marconi relied on quick counter attacks but failed to supply good long balls to its speedy trio and wasted numerous opportunities to attack.

With only a few minutes left in this half Krncevic found he had scored his second goal but miscued after a long cross from the right lobbed over Ontong's head and fell at his feet some 14 metres from goal.

Lions continued to dominate proceedings in the second half, winning most duels in the middle of the park. Gary Byrne was disappointing and was replaced by Roberto Vieri in the 58th minute. Scheinfult had the right idea, allowing Lions to come at Marconi and hoping that Vieri would find his mark with long pin point passes to Sharne and Jankovic.

In fact Vieri managed a few chips and through passes but Marconi forward line failed to capitalise on his work. At one stage Vieri pushed a great throughball for Brogan, but Marconi fullback did not

realise that the opening was there and hesitated allowing Niven to intercept.

In the last quarter of an hour Lions threw everything forward in search of the equaliser and almost got punished for their indiscretion. A quick counter attack by Peter Sharne and Mark Jankovic in the 84th minute surely had to be a goal.

Jankovic had the ball at his feet and with Sharne running wide he should have drawn Hermiston before passing to his flanker. However, Jankovic decided to go around Hermiston then shoot and in the process only earned a corner kick from a block by Hermiston.

Lions beat themselves on this occasion.

With only Ron Millman up front and five midfielders and four defenders I am sure you can hang on to the ball but scoring goals is a different ballgame all together and Lions coach Matt Carson should have had more men in Marconi's penalty area if he wanted to score.

As it was Lions had the park to themselves but created no scoring opportunities in 90 minutes!

White Eagles started strongly and Sheridan put them into the lead after only 14 minutes but four minutes later it was 1-1, as Michneski failed to hold a fine G. Atkins shot, and Sanders put away the rebound.

White Eagles finally broke the deadlock in the 26th minute of extra time.

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RAPID OR BRIGHTON

Rapid moved one step closer to the treble but main rival Brighton could still thwart its chances.

Both teams are still in the two cups. This final berths of the Ampol Cup were decided when Rapid beat Devonport 3-0, and Brighton 1-1. beat Launceston Juventus on penalties. Both clubs are in the semi-finals of the Cadbury Cup.

Devonport could prove a thorn to Brighton and Rapid. It beat Burnie Utd at Montello 3-2. Pizzavani, Zchoke and

Tasmanian report
by Reg Tolpuitt and David Martin

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Dunne by 4

Final votes for the General Tourist Best Player award, a return trip for two to New Zealand won by Green Gully sweeper Jimmy Dunne.

HAKOAH V GREEN GULLY
3 - Smart (G)
2 - Vassallo (G)
1 - Bannan (H)

MAKEDONIA V FRANKSTON
3 - Whitelash (F)
2 - Flavell (M)
1 - Parton (F)

CROATIA V SUNSHINE
3 - Adams (C)
2 - Gardiner (C)
1 - Ellis (S)

ALTONA V GEORGE CROSS
3 - Belusz (G)
2 - Kelly (A)
1 - Pollock (G)

JUVENTUS V SLAVIA
3 - McGuinness (J)
2 - McGorran (S)
1 - Cavallari (J)

W. SUBURBS V CROYDON
3 - Mitandis (WS)
2 - Loughane (C)
1 - Howarth (C)

Final totals:
27 - Dunne (G)
23 - Gillykalamos (WS)
20 - Cannell (H)

Leading scorers:
17 - McGuinness (J)
16 - Ward (M)
14 - McMillan (M)
12 - Wall (F)

The highlight of this Sunday's double headers in the Dockerty Cup competition is the clash between the 1980 Ampol Cup champion Croatia and Metro Division One champion Doveton.

The game will provide the Doves with a fair indication of what players will be needing to bolster their first team squad for its 1981 State League campaign.

Paul Corke, a player who could have graced the State League arena some seasons back, plays a prominent role in Doveton's defence and along with Peter Thurlow will have to play exceptionally well to contain Noel Mitten and Carl Gilder.

Both Doveton full backs, Alex McConville and Ernie Merrick are well versed in State League soccer and will give little away and keeper Lou Ivanoff will have to call upon all of his experience to keep a clean sheet.

The midfield battle looks ominous for the Doves as Croatia's Ken Murphy, Joe Tront and perhaps Keith Adams, form a formidable combination.

Should Steve Short play right back his duel with Doveton's Alan Quin could well turn into a match highlight as Quin has skinned some of the best right backs in the State League in past seasons.

Short has been accused of tending to dive in and commit himself too easily but he will give Quin little room in which to

work and providing he can delay well the Doveton winger will have his work cut out. Croatia should win because Doveton looks to be a few players short of top State League standard and the history of cup competitions points to a close and intriguing tussle and Steve Kokona's clash with Steve Irvine, Doveton's fine striker, should keep the fans on their toes throughout the afternoon.

The Croatia V Doveton clash will follow the Juventus V Sunshine battle which should see the black and whites run out on top due to the striking capabilities of Bobby McGuinness and George Gillan.

Should the Shiners opt for Rob Nelson and Steve Ellis to form their central defensive duo, McGuinness and Gillan won't find it easy to break through and young Sunshine keeper Dale Wood is showing great promise.

Frank Mussel, if used in midfield will bring to Sunshine the endeavour and fight necessary to match Tiziano Cavallari, Tony Heery and Bruno Sabidussi or Oscar Crino.

Mussel is not a one man band and Will Laing and John McNally must give him good support or else Juve will run riot. Tony Curcio has gained little recognition this season but he has proved himself as one of the most consistent full backs in State League and his bursts upfield provide excellent support for Juve's midfielders and forwards.

Juventus should come out on top provided a tight rein is kept upon Ray Pocock and Jim McRobert.

Middle Park will host the double header

Slavia V Green Gully and Western Suburbs V Hakoah.

Slavia's season ended a few weeks back and its Dockerty Cup campaign could end here.

If Gully coach Bobby McLachlan has a full squad from which to choose his first team Slavia should bow out to Gully's better organisation in defence and greater midfield capability.

Bill Vojtek, Willie Vassallo and Gerry Bennett are a good blend with Vassallo laying off the defence, Bennett working his heart out and Vojtek creating openings up front.

It is hard to envisage every Slavia player playing as if his life depended on the outcome of this game but this is the sort of attitude needed if Slavia is to get a result.

McLachlan will likely assign a marker for Mick McGorran, easily Slavia's classiest forward, and if "Mad Mick" is stifled, Slavia looks to have no alternative avenue to goal.

Hakoah looks too classy for Western Suburbs and the flourishing Chris Kent-Graham French partnership spells doom for Suburbs' defenders.

Marian Jaworski will likely tag French and Jaworski is a fine player with the ability to stick close all day and jockey well.

Although Jaworski will closely follow French off the ball the burly Hakoah striker has taken to making a monkey out of a few stoppers in recent weeks and should be difficult to contain.

It is unlikely that Jaworski will get the cover he will require to check French's striking ability.



Our guest tipster for this weekend's Cup games is Juventus and former Australian keeper JACK REILLY (pictured). Jack's selections with likely winners in capitals:

DOCKERTY CUP

Slavia v. GREEN GULLY at Middle Park, Sunday, 1 pm.

Western Suburbs v. HAKOAH at Middle Park, Sunday, second game.

JUVENTUS v. Sunshine at Olympic Park, Sunday, 1.30 pm.

Doveton v. CROATIA at Olympic Park, Sunday, second game.

ARMSTRONG CUP

FRANKSTON v. Polonia at Middle Park, Saturday, 1 pm.

HAKOAH v. Slavia at Middle Park, Saturday, second game.

Victorian State League with Craig Mackenzie

Western Suburbs, newcomers to the 1980 State League, were relegated last weekend after a controversial scoreless draw with Croydon.

Had Suburbs grabbed both points Altona, which was beaten by George Cross, would have dropped into Metro Division One.

Some suburbs players will be looking elsewhere next year and one such player is Jim Daperis who had plenty to say about Jim Dixon, the referee in charge of the Suburbs v Croydon game.

"As a person and referee I have the utmost respect for Jim Dixon and our relationship is excellent," said Daperis. "However in the second half Jim came up to me during play and told me that should Steve Carr open his mouth again he would be sent off."

"When Carr scored Jim disallowed the goal although in my opinion Carr did not foul Croydon keeper Mick Edwards. In fact Edwards said as much after the match," Daperis continued.

"Later in the second half, with about six minutes to go, a Croydon player broke through with only our keeper Alex Mitandis to beat Marian Jaworski chased back and chopped down the Croydon player."

"Jim waved play on but to me it was clearly a penalty. I spoke to Jim after the match and I said that Carr's goal should have been allowed. Jim then asked me about the penalty which he didn't give."

"I said the reason he didn't give the penalty was because he realised that he'd made a mistake by disallowing Carr's goal."

"I don't want to sound like a bad loser, rather I just want to set the record straight and Jim has been and still is a good friend of mine," Daperis ended.

WESTERN SUBURBS 0 CROYDON 0

SUBURBS: Mitandis - Kyriakides, Gillykalamos, Jewell, Deglia - Kuplar, Jim Daperis, Pat-sakos (John Daperis H.T. sent off 85th) - Grieschan, Carr, Theocharidis.

CROYDON: Edwards - Brown, Pongho, McCormick, Murphy, Doornenbal, Brogan, Howarth, Whyte - Forsyth, Loughane.

Suburbs coach Jim Condilis arrived at Schintler Reserve with his team selection prepared but he said after the match that the Suburbs' players forced him into selecting John Daperis on the reserve bench.

capabilities and being sent off late in the game.

The 0-0 draw sent Suburbs into Metro Division One, but not before referee Jim Dixon figured in two controversial decisions.

Two early chances to Suburbs' striker Steve Carr went begging and the highlight of the first half was two great saves by Suburbs' hero on the day, keeper Alex Mitandis.

Croydon striker Rob Forsyth has often come under criticism this season for lacking in finishing ability but Forsyth should feel cheated by the acrobatic Mitandis who twice saved Forsyth headers which seemed destined for the back of the net.

Peter Loughane blasted a shot over the bar from the six yard box after Dave Brogan's persistence allowed him to gain possession and cut the ball back into the path of the unmarked Loughane.

The drama climaxed in the second half with a Carr header which was disallowed and an apparent foul by Marian Jaworski inside the area on Croydon's Key Doornenbal who had come forward and beaten Mike Gillykalamos to break clear toward Mitandis.

After the match Croydon coach Norm Hobson was pleased with his side's ability to create chances but he was critical of Suburbs' attempt to stave off relegation.

"I'd like to think that if it were my lads faced with winning the last match of the season in order to stay up that we would have put a lot more effort into our game," said Hobson.

Those words could be a fitting epitaph for Suburbs' 1980 season.

HAKOAH 0 GREEN GULLY 2 (Segi 2)

HAKOAH: O'Hara - Rooney, Gadsby, Baker, Edmondson - Bannan, Thomson (Jordanou 74th), McNeil (Wilson 80th) - Webster, French, Kent.

GREEN GULLY: Danys - Hogan, Smart, Pattan, Gilly - Vojtek, Bennett, Vassallo - Segi, Pollock, Moray.

Green Gully completed its most successful State League season by snatching third spot away from Hakoah with a convincing 2-0 win at Middle Park.

Gully's victory was tarnished by its first half performance and better finishing from Hakoah striker Graham Fench could have put Gully behind the eight ball at half time.

A half time bust from coach Bobby McLachlan in which he reminded his charges that their second half effort would



Slavia goalkeeper Elvio Pugliese flies between team mate Neville Haupt (left) and Juventus opponents Bobby McGuinness (right) and Frank Munro (rear) at Gillon Oval. Picture by LES SHORROCK

have a big bearing on whether or not some of them were retained by Gully for next season saw the visitors come out and run over the top of Hakoah. Two fine goals by Andy Segi wrapped up the game, the first a blistering volley from a Bill Morrey cut back and the second a low shot under the diving body of Hakoah keeper Mike O'Hara after Segi had been sent on his way by Dave Perkin.

Willie Vassallo shone in the second half and the highlight of his performance occurred when he turned Steve Gadsby inside out with superb close ball skills.

Gully's sweeper Grant Smart had a fine game in the role vacated by the suspension of Jimmy Dunne.

ALTONA 0 GEORGE CROSS 1 (Pollock)

ALTONA: Vor der Poel - Lewis, Cannell, Gramsbergen, Wilson - Murphy, Kelly, Little (Hayland 85th) - Crow, Whyte, Innes (Farmer).

GEORGE CROSS: Amos (carried off, Graham 70th) - Vella, Wilkinson, Belusz, Matland Wilson, Morgan (Zelgelaar 30th), Mizzi - Pollock, Cowan, Peppers.

George Cross won the no holds barred battle of Kim Reserve 1-0 due to a well taken Len Pollock goal and the fine defensive work of Laure Bejusic and Bill Wilkinson.

Both keepers, Robert Amos of Cross and Hans van der Poel

of Altona, were called upon to make fine saves and Amos in particular made a couple of excellent saves in the first half to thwart fine play by Rob Crow who had gone down Altona's right and crossed dangerous balls into the Cross area.

One save, from a diving header by Billy Whyte, stopped what appeared to be a certain goal but Cross fought back and a long, high free kick was headed by Peter Lewis against team mate Stuart Cannell. The ball fell free to Pollock who slammed it into the top corner giving van der Poel no hope.

The cross defence held firm in the second half against a fiercely competitive Altona but the home side breathed a sigh of relief when the result of the Suburbs v Croydon game kept Altona in State League.

MAKEDONIA 3 (McMillan 2, Ollerton) FRANKSTON 3 (Whitelash, Adams, Webb)

MAKEDONIA: Kastner - Rainey, Flavell, Higham, Petrovski - Faulkner, McMillan, Lucchesi - Cullen, Ollerton, Ward.

FRANKSTON: Whiteside - Parton, McCusker, Lowe, Williamson - Buchanan, Cooper, Webb, Coulson - Wall, Adams.

Frankston blew a 3-0 lead against State League champion Makedonia but Frankston coach Nigel Bevis

paid tribute to Brian Edgley's side:

"When we went three up we started to show off and this proved our undoing but you've got to give it to Makedonia which is a tremendous side with great character."

"I suppose that's why Makedonia won the league and it certainly is the best side in the competition," said Bevis.

Frankston was pleased with the 0-0 half time scoreline because the Baysiders had use of the wind in the second half.

Bill Whiteside made some great saves and he topped off his performance by scoring in the 60th minute!

Whiteside painted a long ball downfield and as Bob Adams and Kevin Wall tried in vain to get to the ball Lou Kastner misjudged the bounce and the ball sailed over his head and into the net.

Five minutes later Adams rose almost on the goal line to nod home a Willie Coulson corner and Frankston's joy turned to ecstasy in the 70th minute when David Webb latched onto a rebound and lobbed the diving Kastner.

Makedonia's character came under the microscope but the result was in its favor as first Peter Ollerton, tapping home a parried shot from George McMillan, then McMillan himself, twice, dragged the home side from off the floor to snatch a dramatic 3-3 draw.

FINAL LADDER

MAKEDONIA	22	15	6	1	55	18	36
CROATIA	22	12	8	2	37	16	32
GREEN GULLY	22	11	6	5	29	21	28
HAKOAH	22	10	6	6	29	24	28
JUVENTUS	22	10	5	7	34	27	25
Frankston	22	8	7	7	36	30	23
Croydon	22	7	6	9	20	25	20
George Cross	22	7	4	11	22	33	18
Sunshine	22	6	5	11	21	33	17
Altona	22	4	8	10	18	28	16
Western Suburbs	22	5	6	11	19	37	16
Slavia	22	2	3	17	15	43	7

The great escape was completed at Olympic Park No. 2 last Sunday when Sunshine clawed its way to a 0-0 draw against Croatia to grab its third point from two games and tie to fight another State League day.

The Shiners could have hit the lead in the ninth minute when a mislaid shot by Jim McRobert went to John McNally whose mislaid pass hit the post but Steve Kokosa cleared the rebound.

The only other first half incident of note was the 37th minute shot by Howard Andrews which was blocked and fell to Mick Klarin who toe poked the ball just wide.

There was more life in the Melbourne cemetery than was shown in this first half and the second half was just as bad.

In the 67th minute Ken Murphy nutmegged McNally then crossed to Carl Gilder at the near post but Gilder's nearer rebounded on McNally bar and Ned Batinnov headed over from two metres.

Two minutes later Klarin snatched a Murphy cross then played the ball back to Keith Adams.

Adams picked his spot and shot from about 22 metres but Dale Wood, at full stretch, dived across goal to save well.

Sunshine panicked in the last 15 minutes but held firm and grabbed a crucial point — By Mick O'Brien.

JUVENTUS 4 (McGuinness 3, Ristovski) SLAVIA 1 (Cullen)

JUVENTUS: Reilly - Curcio, Munro, Canny, Tarquinio - Sabidussi, Cavallari, Heery - Ristovski, Gillan, McGuinness.

SLAVIA: Pugliese - Haupt, Houston, Wells, Pye - Ward, Cooks, Brindle (Lawson H.T.) - McGorran, Griffiths, Cullen.

Juventus ended a season of broken promises on a high note when it slammed home four goals to Slavia's solitary reply at Gillon Oval last Sunday.

Juve hit the front in the 3rd minute when McGuinness was fouled inside the area and scored from the resulting penalty.

Mendo Ristovski ended his run of outs in the 18th minute when McGuinness put him through with only Elvio Pugliese to beat and the former J.U.S.T. star slotted the ball home.

McGuinness made it 3-0 with a scrambled goal which highlighted his opportunism but Mick McGorran almost pulled a goal back in the 40th minute with a fierce drive from the edge of the area on the angle which hit the cross bar.

Five minutes later Paul Cooke crossed into the Juve goalmouth and Dave Griffiths flicked a header on to John Cullen who coolly lobbed Jack Reilly to make it 3-1.

The inclusion of Steve Lawson at half time, after being left on the bench for disciplinary reasons, evened the game and Juve could manage only one more goal but what a great effort it was.

Tony Curcio, overlapping down the right, crossed to the near post where McGuinness, in mid air, volleyed a spectacular goal to grab a well deserved hat trick.

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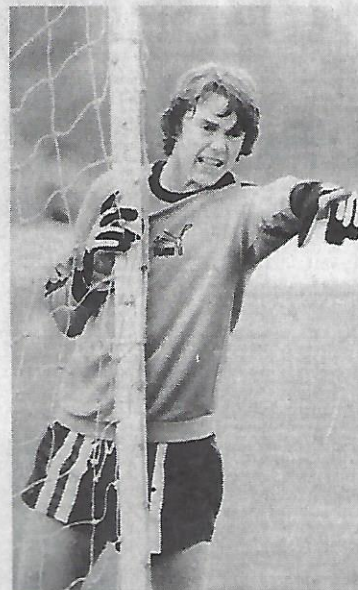
Under - 14's

only Vics to succeed

The Victorian under-14 team which won the national title held recently in Canberra:

BACK ROW: from left, Clive West (Manager); Nick Cocking (Mooroolbark); John Kanesoulis (Stb. Melb); Momulo Stefanovic (Corio); John Gabrielson (Mooroolbark); Aki Kotzamilchalis (Port Melb); Claudio Avlan (Capt.-Kellor); Theo Angelopoulos (Clarinda); Thomas MacMorrow (A.bion); Ian Petherick (Coach). **FRONT ROW:** Nick Van Egmond (Mornington); Eddie Vega (Vice-Capt. Albion); Allan Borg (Albion); Peter Hrehoren (Kellor); Chris Mihalopoulos (Thomastown); Domenico Ruccia (Juventus); Allan Roadhouse (Box Hill); David Azzopardi (Moreland).

Ahern quits Lions' den



Glen Ahern, a leading candidate for the goalkeeping spot in Australia's youth team for the 1981 Coca-Cola World Youth Cup Finals, has walked out on Brisbane Lions after two months with Queensland's premier PSL side.

"When I moved to Lions from Musgrave Hill two months ago they told me that I would be the number two keeper to Tony Scanlan and if Tony lost form or was injured I would be in," said Ahern.

"I was usually on the bench early on and I played in the equivalent of the Lions reserve side in a lower division with third string keeper Nigel Lownds as substitute keeper during these reserve matches.

"I returned from Sydney after playing in the curtain raiser to the Australia-Mexico game and I was watching a TV interview and found out that Lownds had replaced Scanlan as number one keeper.

"To tell you the truth my initial reaction was one of anger at the way in which Lions had broken their promise and it hurt me to think that no one had the courtesy to phone me and tell me that I would not be taking Scanlan's place.

"But I am a free agent because I have retained my amateur status.

"I know some players get paid good money but I just like the game and after all I am only 17 and have a long way to go.

Ahern believes keepers are a different breed of soccer player because they have to be

more physical or "gutsy" as he puts it.

He started playing in goal when he was four years old with the Southern Districts under-five side!

Ahern played with the Sydney based side until his family moved to the Gold Coast when he was 12. He joined Musgrave Hill and played his first senior game when he was 14, representing Queensland at under-16 level and for the past two years at youth level.

Ahern names his father as an important influence upon his career and a decisive source of encouragement.

Early in his career Ahern had trouble with high crosses but hard work on the training track and learning a better technique of catching helped to get rid of this weakness. But what of his current weakness if any? "I don't think I better answer that one because some players could read this article and find out my weakest side," said the young keeper.

After leaving Musgrave Hill, Ahern spent two seasons in Queensland's State League

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

with Goldcoast City before joining Lions.

Ahern respects the professionalism of certain Lions' players but one player stands out in his regard.

"Jim Hermiston is one of the most, if not the most, professional players in Australia because he is so reliable. He's always there when needed and the club asks a lot from him and believe me he gives his all."

Lack of goalkeeping training has been a constant problem for Ahern in his quest for self improvement and he often trains alone but in his last few weeks with Lions, Roddy

MacKenzie, a former top keeper, helped the youngster.

It is in training camp with his fellow youth squad members where Ahern gets the kind of training in which he seems to revel.

"The camps are simply good, hard work-outs for us and Jack Martin handles specialised keeper training."

"I can remember the last camp when Dennis Ivanac, the keeper from Western Australia, and I were given the best training we have had and I can remember Dennis and I coming off the field at the end of the session really worn out."

Ahern aims to grab the number one keeper spot in the Australian youth team and he eagerly awaits the trip to Israel.

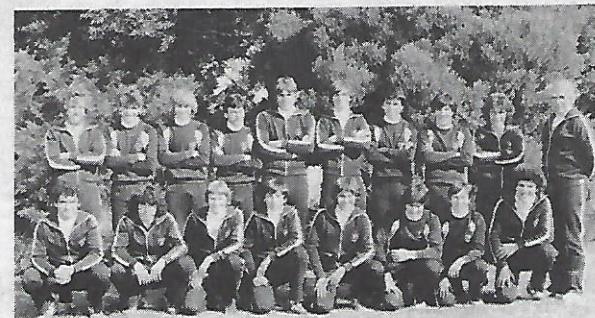
But currently this talented young keeper is without a club though it is unlikely that his promise will be allowed to go to waste for long. Lions and Glen Ahern simply ran out of patience after an extended honeymoon. Ahern has the final say on the split.

"Two weeks ago I told Lions that I wouldn't play second fiddle and be made a fool of."

"My options are open although it is likely that I will find a good club and sign professional forms."

"Then perhaps I can settle down to fighting to top spot in the Australian youth team."

Schoolboy side



The Victorian schoolboys' team that finished third in the national titles: back row, from left, David Evans (manager), Fabio Incantalupo, Jan Pakovski, David Coccochro, Jim Bruno, Sean Coulter, Slobodan Stojkovic, Angelo Petrakos, John Bitonis, John Kolesch, (coach). Front: Sam Zoridis, George Lazarou, Sven Holbig, Bill Popovski, Rob Erdeg, Alex Amici, George Likidokos, John Petropoulos.

Hat-trick heroes

The "Soccer Action" Hat Trick Diploma is available to any junior player who scored three or more goals in any league, Cup or official school match. Friendly matches do not count.

Coaches are asked to supply the following information:

1. Name of the boy who scored the hat-trick (or more).
2. His age, address and the team for which he plays.
3. The team against which he scored the goals.
4. Date of game.
5. Send the information to "Soccer Action" 250 Spencer Street, Melbourne, Vic., and we will forward the certificate free of charge as an incentive to keep on scoring those goals!

The boys' names will also appear in our list of "Hat-Trick Heroes" published every week.

This week's hat-trick heroes:

Leigh Riseley, 11, Robby Johnson, 11, Adam Rozmaryniewicz, 11, five goals, Roger Nelson, 11, six goals (Glenorchy Primary); Johnny Smoljko, 12 (Kellor Austria); Harry Strling, 14 (Mooroolbark); Simon Hose, 8, four goals (Barwon City); Dimitrios Anastassiou, 14, Mario Salvaggio, 14 (Thomastown); Peter Slomos, 11, Alex Tsardakas, 12, five goals (Craig Bakker, 12, Mark Fisher, 12, Chris Slomos, 12, Paul Nieuwenhuizen, 12, four goals (Ferntree Gully); Dean Collins, 14, (Mulgrave); Anthony Cogswell, 9 (Numawading C); Adam Byrne, 12 (Mooroolbark); Robert Woodland, 7, four goals (East Bentleigh); Stuart Ogilvie, 8 (Dandenong C); Darren Armatage, 12, Ronald O'Mara,

12, five goals (Seaford); Robert Mee, 12 (Seaford); Zdravko Sesar, 13, six goals, Zdenko Novoselac, 13, four goals, Robert Cosic, 12 (North geelong); Andrew Ledbury, 10, Stephen Zaffropoulos, 10 (Clayton); Robert Smith, 13, four goals (Frankston Pines); Mark Howells, 12 (Nunawading City); Stephen Zvaganevic, 11 (Dandenong); Paul Higgins, 15, Victor Tedeschi, 15 (Macquarie Fields United); Carmine Bruno, 13, six goals (Marryatville Primary School); Richard Wallin, 13 (Chelsea-Prahran); Gary Radcliffe, 12 (Knox City); Gavan Paine, 15 (Morwell Pegasus) Tim Anderson, 15, seven goals (Nunawading City); Adam McConollege, 9, four goals (Springvale City); Angelo Evangelinos, 13, four goals (Bundoorra).

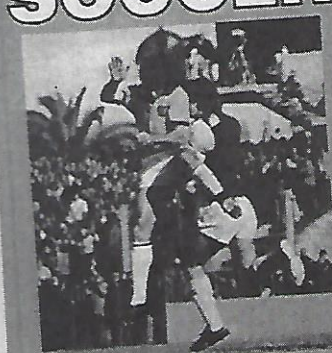


The Queensland team that contested the recent national under-15 titles in Melbourne; back row, from left: Manager Andy Boscacci, Paddy Jilek, Angelo Falco, Michael Gerritsen, Michael Bainbridge, Mark Menhinnit, Ian

Pink, Paul Nadalin, Adam Tobin, Gavin Hall, Coach, Jim Dolan. Front Row: John Brillante, David Campbell, Richard Barnard, Daryn White, Michael Turner, Sab Socin, David Howell.

Warren James his best 11

John Warren's World of Australian SOCCER



Who would you pick in your best-ever Australian team? And what about your best world team?

It's a favorite exercise of most football fans to juggle with the names of the all-time greats and try to fit them together.

Former Soccer captain Johnny Warren has done it in his latest book, "John Warren's World of Australian Soccer" (Liahona Books, distributed by Carnation Books).

The absence of both Peter Wilson and Manfred Schaefer from Warren's Australian all-star team is bound to trigger heated argument.

Wilson, Australia's most-capped international and Schaefer, were the centre backs in the Soccerroos' most successful era which culminated in the 1974 World Cup finals in West Germany.

But Warren prefers John Watkins and Joe Mar-



Italy's Giacinto Facchetti.

ston to the two World Cup warriors.

Another World Cup player not included is goalkeeper Jack Reilly. Instead, Warren has given the nod to Ron Lord.

The rest of the team is fairly predictable, based heavily on the 1974 Soccerroos line-up.

It is: Ron Lord - Doug Utjesenovic, John Wat-

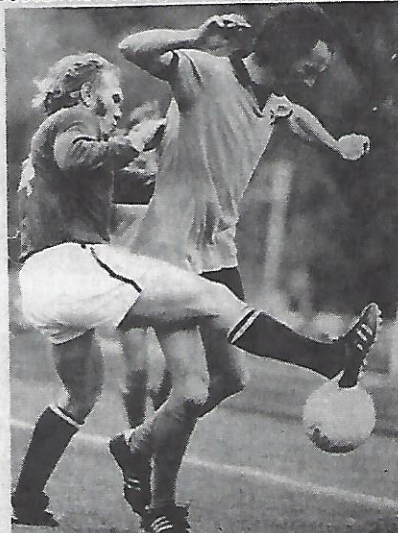
kiss, Joe Marston, Col Curran - Ray Baartz, Ray Richards, Jimmy Rooney - Attila Abonyi, Adrian Alston, Branko Buljevic.

Jimmy Mackay is another notable absentee.

In his introduction, Warren acknowledges the difficulties of making an all-star selection but he covers himself nicely by naming other champions as well as the "new breed" players in each position.

Thus, Stan Ackerley, George Keith, Harry Williams, Vic Bozanic, Danny Moulis, Vince Bannon, Brett Woods, Alan Davidson and Kevin Mullen, for example, all get a mention when Warren discusses his choice of right back.

Similarly, Mike Denton, Max Tolson, Billy Vojtek, John Kosmina, Jim Armstrong, Ken Boden, Gary Cole, Mark Jankovics, Eddie Krncevic, Peter Sharne, Ian Hunter, Graham Jennings, Sebastian Giampaolo and Tommy Cumming get a mention in the section on the best strikers.



Warren's world eleven are:

Lev Yashin (USSR) - Djalma Santos (Brazil), Franz Beckenbauer (W. Germany), Bobby Moore (England), Giacinto Facchetti (Italy) - Alfredo di Stefano (Argentina), Bobby Charlton (England) - Kevin Keegan (England), Johan Cruyff (Holland), Ferenc Puskas (Hungary), Pele (Brazil).

Manfred Schaefer 'destroying' Derek Dougan of Wolves. Australia won 1-0.



Peter Wilson - most-capped international.

The book includes 88 big pictures, including color pin-ups of Jim Hermiston, Branko Buljevic, Roy Stark, Peter Sharne and Terry Smith.

It covers soccer's history since its beginnings, the Phillips League, coaching, leading Australian and international goalkeepers, the World Cup, the Soccerroos, great moments in soccer, the future of Australian soccer, leading coaches, laws of the game and the Soccerroos' international records.

Karen Hume best player

NSW won the seventh annual Australian women's championship while Victoria finished sixth out of nine states represented.

The Vics finished equal fourth but were relegated to sixth spot on goal difference. Victoria gained many plaudits from opposing states as an attractive side and evidence of Victoria's ability was validated at the end of the championships when five Victorian girls were selected in the Australian team: Kim Coates, Shona Bass, Theresa Jones, Karen Hume and Cheryl Levey.

Karen Hume was chosen as the Best and Fairest Player of the championships, a fine testament to her endeavour and application.

When you consider Victor-

ia's effort in having five representatives in the national team from a State with only 267 registered players, the championships can be seen in a positive and successful light.

A sending off and an injury reduced the Vics to nine players but three times they came from behind to record a memorable 3-2 draw.

The presentation night for the Victorian Women's Soccer Association will be held on 31 October at the Hellas Clubrooms, cost \$10 a person, 8.30. Contact Betty Hoar for further details on 467 3063.

As in previous years entrance will be \$1 children and pensioners free.

DOUGLAS CUP FINAL OCT. 5

The date and venue for the final of the Victorian Industrial League's Black Douglas Cup has now been settled. The match, between Split Auto Repairs and Bowater Scott will be played on Sunday, 5 October at Middle Park at 3 pm.

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BILL FLEMING MEDAL WINNERS

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The millionaires' Cup

Brian Clough's speculations on the soccer transfer market may have alarmed the Nottingham Forest bank manager but they have reaped rich dividends in terms of trophies.

Clough has invested a staggering 3,520,000 sterling (7.25 million Aust dollars) to build his present squad, but that will be money well spent if Forest can extend their two-year monopoly of the European Cup which begins tonight (Wednesday).

The holders go into their first round first leg tie with CSKA Sofia in Bulgaria in the knowledge that if money can guarantee success the impressive 'champions' trophy will be theirs for a third successive time.

Forest will be without injured, one million sterling (2.06 million Aust dollars) striker Trevor Francis, but their likely line-up will be far from impoverished. His replacement, Scottish international Ian Wallace, was signed from Coventry for 1.25 million sterling (2.57 million Aust dollars).

Scottish international full-back Frank Gray, at 400,000 sterling (824,000 Aust dollars) is the third most expensive player on the staff while Swiss Raymond Ponge looks another bargain at 250,000 sterling (515,000 Aust dollars).

Liverpool, England's other representative in the European Cup as league champion, is not far behind Forest in the money table. Manager Bob Paisley and his predecessor Bill Shankly have spent 2,632,000 sterling (5,400 million Aust dollars) over the years.

Liverpool, European Cup winner in 1977 and 1978, will be eager to thwart Forest's ambitions and with 440,000 sterling (906,000 Aust dollars) will be eager to reach the semi-finals.

Spanish champion Real Madrid, winner of the trophy six times, has also spent freely, running up a transfer bill of 2,030,000 sterling (4.18 million Aust dollars).

England international Laurie Cunningham is its chief extravaganza at a cost of 800,000 sterling (1.6 million Aust dollars) from West Bromwich.

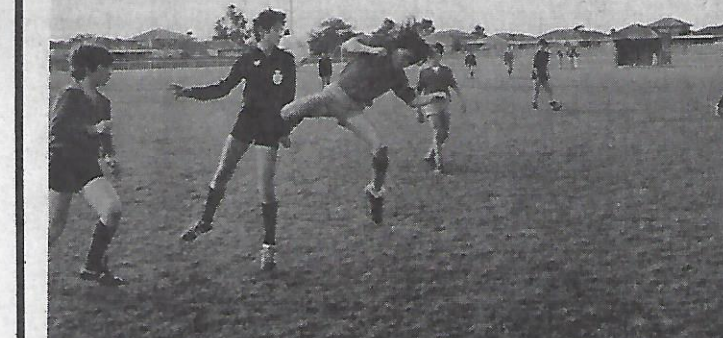
Real, which meets Irish club Limerick in Madrid, should certainly reach the latter stages of the tournament, but its chances of a seventh success could depend on West Germany's sweep-up Ute Stielike, who played such a major role in his country's European championship victory in Italy earlier this summer.

The West German champion, Bayern Munich, will field a 1,619,000 sterling (3.34 million Aust dollars) team as it chases its fourth win in this tournament.

Paul Breitner, hero of the 1974 World Cup, is its biggest buy at 355,000 sterling (731,000 Aust dollars), but potential match winner Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, who joined as a youth, did not cost the club one penny.

Bayern begins its campaign with a journey to Greece to face Olympiakos and should do enough to make the return a formality.

Ajax of the Netherlands, which is also chasing the trophy for the fourth time, starts with a hazardous trip to Albania to play Dinamo Tirana. The Ajax squad, which cost a mere 702,000 sterling (1.4 million Aust dollars) should clear that hurdle, but it may be pushed to equal last season's achievements of reaching the semi-finals.



This week's picture has been submitted by STEVE ECKHARDT of 28 Ness Street, Diamond Creek, Vic 3089. It shows young Rohan Eckhardt (right) in action for Diamond Creek under 12s against Thomastown in a Victorian junior game.

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SOCCER ACTION

BACK ROW: Takis Nicholaides (from juniors); Steve Williams (publicity officer); Vic Donis (from Makdonia, 1977); Jim Loukas (from juniors); Philip Palusao (from Moorea Ponds, 1978); George Tsiakos (from Hellenia, 1978); John Kalliforis (from Hellenia, 1978); George Chironas (vice-president); George Tsiakos (secretary); E.M. Hironaka (team manager).

MIDDLE ROW: Socrates Papadopoulos (councillor); George Sofianos (Olympic Finance sponsor); Chris Panagopoulos (junior coach); Ilias Tjiflos (manager); Jim Koukias (from Hellenia juniors, 1978).

FRONT ROW: Minis Avetis (president); Rocky Santangelo (from Central Brunswick, 1980); Sakis Tsiakos (from Clifton Hill, 1980); Giovanni Battistotto (from Hellenia, 1978); Mike Stogiannou (from Western Suburbs, 1978); John Nicholaides (from J.U.S.T., 1978); Bill Gatzonia (from Hellenia juniors, 1978).



**Official Camera of
the 1978 Soccer World Cup
Buenos Aires, Argentina.**

Northcote was formed in 1962 as Hercules Soccer Club and founder members included M. Ahanates, G. Kalliforis, M. Aletis, M. Tsaknis, and J. Belais. The club entered the Metropolitan League in Division Four and in 1966 was promoted to Division Three. In 1969 Hercules won promotion to Division Two and went to Division One in 1977. Northcote has undergone two name changes the first in 1974 when the club moved to a ground in Collingwood and assumed the name of the local area. In 1977 Northcote changed to its present name after moving to John Nicholaides Oval. The club has won the Metropolitan Cup in 1978. M. Aletis, who has coached Northcote from Division Three to Division One, Moments relapsed as first team coach six weeks ago. Northcote's major honour was achieved last year when the club won the Federation Cup by beating Austria 3-1.

Philips League Club Directory

ADELAIDE CITY

P.O. BOX 534, NORWOOD S.A. 5067

SECRETARY: G. Ursini (08) 31 0778

COACH: R. Rasic

GROUND: Olympic Sports Field, Kensington
(08) 332 5614 — 332 5618

COLOURS: Black & White.

SPONSORS: United Brokers



This week's match: v **SYDNEY CITY** at
Olympic Sportsfield (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm

LEICHHARDT

38-42 FRAZER ST., LEICHHARDT 2040.

SECRETARY: H. Ambrose (02) 516 1688

COACH: W. Wallace

GROUND: Lambert Park
Phone 569 6845 (Match days)

Promotion

Officer: T. Raciti. Phone 82 0187

Colours: Maroon, Sky Blue



This week's match: v **CANBERRA CITY** at
National Athletic Stadium (Canberra) Sunday 3 pm

BLACKTOWN CITY S.C.

62 Seven Hills Road North, Seven Hills 2147. Phone 624 3344

SECRETARY: P. R. Thorne (Ph) as above.

COACH: M. Jones

GROUND: Gabbie Stadium, Quinn Ave, Seven Hills

COLOURS: white, red black trim.

black, red white trim

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This week's match: v **FOOTSCRAY** at
Western Oval (Melbourne) Sunday 3 pm

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

4 NORTHWOOD ST., ADAMSTOWN HEIGHTS, N.S.W., 2289

SECRETARY: P. Trisley, Bus. (049) 24930 (049) 26 2433

COACH: A. Vest

GROUND: International Sports Centre, Turton Rd.,
New Lambton. Ph (049) 52 1224

SPONSOR: Tooth & Co., Brewers of KB Beer



This week's match: v **HEIDELBERG UNITED** at
International Sports Centre (Newcastle) Saturday 2.30 pm

BRISBANE CITY

P. O. Box 265 Broadway, Brisbane 4001

Club phone: 356 8834

SECRETARY: G. Canale bus (07) 52 4711.

COACH: George Potter

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd., Mayne.

SPONSOR: STOCK 84 BRANDY



This week's match: v **BRISBANE LIONS** at
Lions Stadium (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm

MARCONI-FAIRFIELD

MARCONI ROAD, BOSSLEY PARK, N.S.W. 2176

SECRETARY: M. Urukalo — (02) 604 5095 or 604 5222.

COACH: L. Scheinflug.

GROUND: Marconi Oval, Marconi Rd.,
Bossley Park.



This week's match: v **SOUTH MELBOURNE** at
Marconi Stadium (Sydney) Sunday 3pm

BRISBANE LIONS

P.O. BOX 310, DARRA QLD 4076

SECRETARY: L. Oudendyk

COACH: M. Carson

GROUND: Lions Stadium, Pine Rd, Richlands,
07 (phone) 372 2989

Colours Orange and Blue



This week's match: v **BRISBANE CITY** at
Lions Stadium (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm

SOUTH MELBOURNE

P.O. BOX 64, ST. KILDA WEST, VIC., 3182

HONORARY SECRETARY Nick Sagiakos

(Home) 528 6196

(Restaurant) 534 4141

COACH: John Margaritis

GROUND: Middle Park, Aughtie Drive, Middle Park

COLOURS: Blue & White

This week's match: v **MARCONI-FAIRFIELD** at
Marconi Stadium (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm



CANBERRA CITY

P.O. Box 910, Canberra City ACT 2601.

PRESIDENT: Theo Moulis (W) 48 8448 Office: (062) 488 215

COACH: J. Brown

GROUND: National Athletic Stadium, Bruce

SPONSOR:

BRIAN POLLOCK Ford



This week's match: v **LEICHHARDT** at
National Athletic Stadium (Canberra) Sunday 3 pm

ST. GEORGE

84 VICTORIA AVENUE, MORTDALE, N.S.W.

GENERAL MANAGER: L. Bordacs (02) 269 2745.

COACH: R. Blanco

GROUND: St George Stadium, Rockdale

Colours: Red, White & Green



This week's match: v **WEST ADELAIDE** at
St George Stadium (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm

HEIDELBERG UNITED

P.O. BOX 8, COLLINGWOOD, 3066

SECRETARY-MANAGER:

O. Norris ph. (day) 792 9348, (after 5 pm) 459 4652.

COACHES: Len McKendry

GROUND: Olympic Park, Swan St., Melb.

(03) 42 0642. COLOURS: Black & Gold



This week's match: v **NEWCASTLE KB UNITED** at
International Sports Centre (Newcastle) Saturday 2.30 pm

SYDNEY CITY "THE SLICKERS"

61 HALL ST., BONDI, N.S.W. 2026

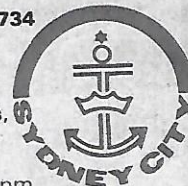
SECRETARY: D. Childs (02) 30 3344A.H.525 7734

COACH: E. Thomson

GROUND: Sydney Athletic Field

SPONSOR: Presto Smallgoods

Colours: Sky Blue White Hoops, White Shorts,
Red Socks



This week's match: v **ADELAIDE CITY** at
Olympic Sportsfield (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm

FOOTSCRAY

P.O. BOX 122, ST KILDA SOUTH, 3182

SECRETARY: H. Iser bus (03) 391 3231

COACH: J. Kriaris

GROUND: Western Oval, Barkly St, Footscray

COLOURS: Blue White Red.



This week's match: v **BLACKTOWN CITY** at
Western Oval (Melbourne) Sunday 3 pm

WEST ADELAIDE

G.P.O. BOX 1130, ADELAIDE S.A., 5001

SECRETARY: D. A. Carapetis, Bus. (08) 51 6686.

COACH: Billy Birch

GROUND: Hindmarsh Stadium, Manton St.,

COLOURS: Blue white stripes — Blue Shorts

SPONSOR: Dominion Finance.



This week's match: v **ST GEORGE** at
St George Stadium (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm